ABSTRACTS

OF

COMPOSITIONS:

AND OTHER

MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS

RELATING TO

BRASENNOSE COLLEGE.

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ABSTRACTS

OF

COMPOSITIONS, &c.

RICHARD SUTTON the Founder, gave 13*s.* 4*d.* to encreaſe the Fellows' commons, and 5*d.* apiece to twenty-five Prieſts of this or any other College, who ſhall be preſent at maſs on the day of his deceaſe, and on that of Biſhop Smith: as alſo, for three Prieſts, to be appointed by him and his heirs, five marcs a year; if the Lands do not fall ſhort of twenty marcs a year. They are to celebrate Divine Service, and to ſucceed to Fellowſhips, if they be eligible, and be not already Fellows. On every vacancy, notice is to be given to the Founder or his heirs: but if they do not fill it up in ſix weeks, the College are to appoint for that turn only. The Chaplains are not to be abſent more than ſeven weeks in one year; nor to hold any benefice, or perpetuity, above the clear annual value of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* If the Principal and Fellows do not obſerve the conditions, they are to be mulcted 40*s.* and power of diſtreſs is reſerved to the Founder and his Heirs. *A.D.* 1520. Commons. Commemoration. Three Chaplains.

JOHN PORT, Serjeant at law, in behalf of JOHN WILLIAMSON, Rector of St. George's in Canterbury then deceaſed, gave 200*l.* to purchaſe lands of the yearly value of 9*l.* for the maintenance of two Fellows, who are to be perſons born in the city or county palatine of Cheſter, and of the lineage or name of John Williamſon or John Port. The firſt year they are to ſtudy ſophiſtry and logic; and afterwards, if they continue, the other faculties. At the end of the ſaid year, they are *A.D.* 1522. Two Fellows of the city or county of Cheſter of the Founder's lineage.

are at liberty to ſtudy the civil or canon law: and in that caſe muſt receive 53*s.* 4*d.* yearly for eight years, if they reſide in any College or Hall in this Univerſity. In caſe of vacancy, either of thoſe who are Fellows of the College, or of thoſe who live out of College, within or at the end of the ſaid eight years, the place is to be filled up within a month, if any of the kindred offer themſelves. If no ſuch perſon requires the ſame within three years, then the exhibition is to go to the College till ſuch perſon be found. The College is bound to perform the conditions by a bond to the Abbot and Convent of Cheſter, under the penalty of 300*l.*

A. D. 1528. JOHN ELTON, alias BAKER, Canon of the Cathedral Church of Saliſbury, gave lands in Stanlake and Ducklington in the county of Oxford, and other lands in the pariſh of Kennington, in the county of Glouceſter, for founding one Fellowſhip. The Fellow is to be born in the dioceſe of Hereford or Worceſter, of the lineage of the Founder; or in defect of ſuch a perſon, then one born in the dioceſe of Saliſbury; or, in defect of ſuch, the moſt deſerving perſon born in any other place. If the lands fail, the ſtipend of the Fellow to decreaſe proportionably. If the College do not obſerve the conditions, they are to pay a penalty of 20*s.* to the Provoſt and Fellows of Oriel College, to whom is reſerved power of entry and diſtreſs.

One Fellow of the dioceſe of Hereford.

A. D. 1531. WILLIAM PORTER, Clerk, gave lands at Marſton in the county of Oxford, and at Kingſholm in the county of Glouceſter to endow one Fellowſhip for the county or dioceſe of Hereford (or in defect of a perſon ſo qualified, then for one born in any dioceſe next adjacent towards Oxford) to keep an obit on the fourth of November, in the afternoon yearly, for the ſoul of the Founder; and to have maſs on the fifth. The Warden of New College is to have notice to attend, and is to receive 20*d.* The Principal and Fellows being preſent, are to receive 13*s.* 4*d.* The Fellow is to receive over and above his Fellowſhip 33*s.* 4d. every year, to be paid on the four great feaſt days in equal portions. If the lands fail, the Fellowſhip is to to decreaſe proportionably; and if the lands decreaſe 8*l.* a year, the Fellowſhip

One Fellow, of Herefordſhire.

Commemoration.

ſhip is to ceaſe. If the Principal and Fellows do not perform the conditions, they are to forfeit 20*s.* to the Warden of New College, who has power of entry and diſtreſs for the ſame.

EDWARD DARBIE, Archdeacon of Stow, gave 120*l.* for founding a commemoration on the day of his death (the fourth of May) the Principal to receive 2*s*, the Fellows preſent each 1*s.* and alſo for the endowment of one Fellowſhip. The Fellow is to be a graduate, and born in the Archdeaconry of Stow; or, if there be no ſuch perſon found, then one born in the county of Leiceſter; or, in defect of ſuch perſon, one born in the county of Northampton; or, in defect of ſuch Perſon, one born in the county of Oxford; or, in defect of ſuch Perſon, one born in the dioceſe of Lincoln: and if no ſuch graduate be found, then an undergraduate, ſubject to the ſame limitations, is to be elected. If the College do not obſerve theſe conditions, they are to pay a penalty of 20*s.* to New College, Lincoln College, or Corpus Chriſti College, *viz.* to ſuch of thoſe ſocieties as ſhall firſt lawfully demand it.

A. D. 1538. Commemoration.

One Fellow of the Archdeaconry of Stow.

WILLIAM CLYFTON, Subdean of the Cathedral Church of York, gave certain lands, rents, &c. at Kingſholm in the county of Glouceſter, one tenement in Shipton under Wichwood in the county of Oxford, and one other tenement in Aſcot-doyly in the ſaid county of Oxford, to maintain one Fellow; who is to be a prieſt and graduate of the county of York and Lincoln alternately; or in defect of ſuch Perſon, of the county of Nottingham; or, in defect thereof, any proper Perſon of the Univerſity of Oxford. If the College do not obſerve the conditions, they are to forfeit 20*s.* to the Preſident and Fellows of Magdalen College; to whom is reſerved power of diſtreſs.

A. D. 1538.

One Fellow of the counties of York and Lincoln alternately.

BRIAN HIGDEN, Dean of York, gave 100*l.* and 110*l.* to purchaſe lands for the maintenance of one Fellow; who is to be choſen out of the counties of York and Lincoln alternately. If the lands fail the exhibition is to ceaſe. The Principal and Fellows, if they fail to elect, are to forfeit 40*s.* to the Preſident and Fellows of Mag-

A. D. 1549.

One Fellow of the Counties of York and Lincoln alternately.

Magdalen College; to whom is reſerved power of entry and diſtreſs for the ſame.

A. D. 1586. JOYCE FRANKLAND, of London widow, gave one Meſſuage called the Red Lion, with two other tenements thereto belonging, at Kenſington in the county of Middleſex, a rent charge out of the manor of Aldham near Hadley in Suffolk, and out of all other the manors and lands of one Philip Tilney of Shelley-Hall in the county aforeſaid, or elſewhere in the realm of England (of which ſaid rent the ſaid Joyce was ſeized in her Demeſne as of fee) and alſo certain marſh ground, known by the name of Meſday, in the pariſhes of Ivechurch, St. Martin, and New Romney in the county of Kent; and afterwards, A. D. 1598, bequeathed 500*l*, which ſum was laid out in purchaſing lands, &c. in Water-Eaton, alias Eaton Haſtings in the county of Berks; for the following purpoſes. 1. For the amendment of the Principal's commons. He is to receive 2*s*. a week, if preſent; if he be abſent, the Vice-Principal to receive it; and, in the abſence of both, to go the the Fellows reſident. 2. For the amendment of the commons of the Fellows being preſent, 23*s*. 4*d*. a week. 3. For a dinner on the fifth of September yearly, 22*s*. 8*d*; on which day her commemoration is to be kept, and the Principal is to receive 3*s*. 4*d*, the Vice-Principal 2*s*. 6*d*, and each of the Fellows and her Scholars 2*s*. 4. For the endowing one Fellowſhip called Mrs Franklands Fellowſhip: In the election her kindred, and eſpecially the kindred of the Trapps and Saxies, to be preferred. 5. For maintaining four Scholars not Graduates, who are to receive 15*d*. a week, and 5*d*. more in Chriſtmaſs week, Eaſter week, Whitſontide, and Shrove-week: but if they are in commons only half a week, to have but half the allowance. The Scholars are not to continue in the Scholarſhip longer than ſeven years after they are Maſters of Arts: and the vacancies are to be filled up within one month. 6. For the increaſe of the ſtipend of the under or ſecond Reader of the Logick Lecture the yearly ſum of 53*s*. 4*d*. 7. For the increaſe of the ſtipend of the Bible Clerk the yearly ſum of 40*s*. But if the lands fail, the Principal and Fellows may diminiſh the allowance of the Scholars, the

1598.

Commons of the Principal.

Fellows' Commons.

Dinner and Commemoration.

One Fellowſhip.

Four Scholarſhips.

Logick Reader.

Bible Clerk.

Logick

Logick Lecturer, and the Bible Clerk. If the Principal and Fellows fail to keep these covenants, they are to pay the penalty of 5*l.* to the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's London for every such default.

ELIZABETH MORLEY, of Westminster, widow, gave the manor of Pinchpole in Chipping Farringdon, and other lands in Farringdon, and Westbrook near Farringdon, in the county of Berks, to provide a Priest, who is to be a Fellow, and at least a Graduate in Arts, to preach, in person or by deputy, once a year at St. Margaret's Westminster, and there expressly to name Elizabeth Morley. The Priest is to receive yearly 2*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* and for his expenses 6*s.* 8*d.* and to enjoy the place so long as he is Fellow. On any vacancy the Principal is to chuse another Priest within fifteen days: and the person so chosen is to be sworn to observe her will. There is to be a yearly commemoration of her on the twenty sixth of January: and her Priest is to give notice thereof two days before to the Warden of New College; who is to receive for his attendance 8*d*: and on the same day is to be a dinner for the Principal and Fellows. If the lands fail the exhibition is to cease: and, if the Principal and Fellows omit to perform these covenants for one year, they are to pay a penalty of 20*s.* to the Warden and Fellows of New College, who have power of entry and distress.

A. D. 1516.

Lecturer at St. Margaret's Westminster.

Commemoration and Dinner.

JOHN COX of Kirtlington, Wool-Merchant, gave one tenement called the Red Lion in Chipping Wiccomb in the county of Buckingham; and 120*l.* to purchase lands, to provide two Priests, being Fellows, (of whom one is to be an Oxfordshire or South Country Man) to make yearly each a sermon, and say Mass in person or by deputy at Kirtlington, praying for the soul of John Cox, &c. The Priests are to be appointed by the Principal, to swear to observe the will of the Founder, to receive 40*s.* each annually, and to enjoy it as long as they are Fellows: and on any vacancy the place is to be filled up in forty days. There is to be a commemoration of him on the thirtieth of October yearly: and the Priests shall give notice thereof two days before, to the Warden of New College, who is to enquire whether these

A. D. 1520.

Lecturers at Kirtlington.

Commemoration.

theſe conditions are fulfilled, and to receive for his trouble 3*s.* 4*d.* and 1*d.* for his offering. The Principal is to ceive 3*s.* 4*d*; the Vice-Principal 1*s.* 8*d*; and the Fellows preſent 8*d.* each. For want of two Prieſts, or omiſſion of the commemoration, 200*l.* to be forfeited to New College: and for any other fault 13*s.* 4*d.* toties quoties.

A. D. 1538. JOHN CLAYMOND, Preſident of Corpus Chriſti College, gave 480*l.* to purchaſe lands, &c. in Bradford, Ivington, and Warton near Leominſter in the county of Hereford; and alſo a rent charge iſſuing out of lands in Middlewich in Cheſhire; and lands, &c. lying in Shelſwell, and other lands lying in Wheatly, in the county of Oxford; to maintain ſix Scholaſtics to be called Claymond's Scholars, who are to receive each 13*s.* 4*d.* a quarter. If the College fail to pay the ſtipend, the Preſident and Fellows of Corpus Chriſti College may enter on the lands, and keep poſſeſſion till the whole is paid. The Scholars are to be choſen, 1. From Frampton near Boſton in the county of Lincoln; or at leaſt to be of that county. 2. From Moreton, or Stockton on the Tees, in the county of Durham; or at leaſt to be of that Dioceſe. 3. From Overton, or Havant, or Mottesfont, in Hampſhire; or at leaſt to be of that county. 4. From Benager near Wells, or Monkton near Taunton, in the county of Somerſet; or at leaſt to be of that county. 5. From Cleeve, or Biſhop's Cleeve, in the county of Glouceſter, or at leaſt from that county. 6. From the city of Oxford, or at leaſt from the county of Oxford. The Electors are the Preſident, Vice-Preſident, and Humanity Reader, of Corpus Chriſti College; or the greater part of them: but if they differ, and do not agree in twelve hours, then the Preſident alone may appoint. The Scholars are to hold their Scholarſhips for three years after they have determined, or ought regularly to have determined; ſo that in the mean time they be not Inceptors in Arts, nor are elected to Corpus Chriſti College, Magdalen College, or Fellows of Braſennoſe College; and provided they are not in poſſeſſion of any Inheritance, Patrimony, Fee, Corrody, Penſion, Free Chapel for term of life, or of any Benefice or Prebend of the yearly value of four marcs.

Six Scholars.

From whence choſen;

By whom to be elected.

marcs. The Lector of Braſennoſe College is to have for inſtructing them 3*s.* 4*d.* a quarter. On any vacancy notice is to be given, by the Principal or his Deputy, to the Preſident of Corpus Chriſti College within two days; that a new election may be made within one month or ſix months at fartheſt. If no proper perſon of the place or county of the former Scholar can be found, then they are to take ſome fit perſon of the other places or counties, provided that there never be two that occupy the place of that county, in which they were not born; and provided that, when a place becomes vacant for his own county, another ſhall be elected into the place which he had before. The Scholars may not be abſent above forty days in one year; (unleſs for certain urgent reaſons to be approved by the Principal) and during their abſence, their ſtipend is to be converted to the uſe of the College. They are to hear the Humanity and Greek Readers at Corpus Chriſti College, are to ſubmit to the Statutes of Braſennoſe College, and may be amoved if they be incorrigible.

Three Shillings and four pence a quarter to the Lector of Braſennoſe College.

HUMPHREY OGLE, of Salford in the county of Oxford, Clerk, gave 100*l.* (with which were purchaſed Lands, &c. in Stanbridge near Cheſter) to maintain two Scholars. They are to be perſons born in the pariſh of Preſcot in Lancaſhire, or, in defect of ſuch, perſons born in the Dioceſe of Cheſter, or Lichfield, next adjoining to Preſcot; or, in defect of ſuch, any fit perſons born in the king's dominions. They are to receive each 40*s.* a year, to be paid on the four great feaſt days, and are to be called Mr. Ogle's Scholars. They are removable by the Principal and Fellows, if they are not obſervant; and their Scholarſhip is to be determined if they are promoted to any Fellowſhip, or any Perpetuity above 6*l.* per annum. On any vacancy the place is to be filled up in ſix weeks. If the Principal and Fellows do not obſerve their Covenants, they are to forfeit 40*s.* toties quoties to the Warden and Fellows of New College; to whom is reſerved power of entry and diſtreſs. If the profits of the lands leſſen to 4*l.* per annum, the Scholarſhips are to ceaſe: and if there be any diminution

A. D. 1543.

Two Scholars of the pariſh of Preſcot.

nution of the profits, the ſtipends are to decreaſe in proportion.

A. D. 1557. MATTHEW SMITH, Principal of Braſennoſe College, gave lands, &c. lying in Sutton in the Pariſh of Preſcot in the county of Lancaſter (ſubject to the accuſtomed chief rent) for a yearly Commemoration of him on the 6th of February. The Principal, if preſent, or abſent on the College Buſineſs, is to receive 2*s.* (if the Principal be abſent and not on the College Buſineſs, then the Vice Principal to receive the ſaid 2*s.*) and 18*s.* are to be divided equally among the reſt of the Fellows being preſent. In caſe of default, the College is to pay 40*s.* to the heirs of Matthew Smith, to be diſtributed to the poor of Farnworth.

Commemoration.

A. D. 1560. SIR JOHN PORT, Knight, bequeathed 200*l.* to provide Stipends for two ſufficient and able perſons to read and teach openly in the Hall, the one Philoſophy, and the other Humanity; to be appointed by the Principal and Senior Fellows, on St. Michael's day or within ſix days after *(but this was afterwards repealed)* and to be removable by the ſame authority. They are to receive each 4*l.* per annum, and are to read each thrice in every week in Term Time: and the Humanity Reader to read thrice a week in the Vacation alſo. The Philoſophy Reader is alſo to reply every Friday at the Bachelor's Diſputations: and the Humanity Reader is to hear repetitions every Saturday. If either of the Readers omit a Lecture, 1*s.* is to be deducted from his ſtipend. There is to be an annual Commemoration of the Founder on the ſixth of June, the Principal to receive 3*s.* 4*d.* the Vice-Principal 1*s.* 8*d.* and 15*s.* to be equally divided amongſt the other Fellows preſent.

Readers in Philoſophy and Humanity.

Commemoration.

A. D. 1562. HENRY FISHER, of London, Skinner, gave an Exhibition of 2*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to a Scholar to be elected by the Skinners Company from Tunbridge School: alſo to his Tutor 13*s.* 4*d.* and to the Principal and Fellows 1*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* the money to be paid by the Skinners Company. N. B. Afterwards (A. D. 1730.) was added from the arrears, by the company abovementioned, ſo much money, as to make up the Exhibition 6*l.* 14*s.* 6d. the ſtipend

Exhibitioner from Tunbridge School.

to

to the Tutor, 1*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* and the ſtipend to the College, 2*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

JOHN LORD MORDAUNT, gave by Will the Manor of Tiptofts and Highams, in the county of Eſſex, and other lands, &c. to maintain three Scholars, to be called Mordaunt's Scholars, and nominated by his heirs; and to receive yearly 4*l.* each. And alſo to provide for four Almsfolk (natives of the town of Turvey in Bedfordſhire) to be elected by the Principal and Fellows, and the Churchwardens of that pariſh. The Almsfolk are to receive each 8*d.* a week. If the Churchwardens omit for a month to give notice of any vacancy, or nominate an improper perſon, the Principal and Fellows may appoint without them. On any vacancy, the ſtipend of the ſucceſſor muſt begin from the time when the place was vacant. The overplus of the Rents is to go the College. There is to be a yearly Commemoration of Lord Mordaunt on the nineteenth of April: the Principal if preſent is to receive 2*s*; and 20*s.* to be divided equally among the Fellows and his Scholars who are preſent. If the lands fail, the Exhibitions are to decreaſe in proportion, or the number of Scholars and Almsfolk may be leſſened. *A. D.* 1571. Three Scholars. Four Almsfolk. Commemoration.

QUEEN ELIZABETH, at the interceſſion of ALEXANDER NOWEL, Dean of St. Paul's, by letters patent, gave one rent charge iſſuing out of certain tenements of the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul in Ironmonger's Lane and Old Fiſh Street; one other rent charge iſſuing out of the manor of Bowes and Polehouſe in the county of Middleſex; two thirds parts of the manor of Boydon hall in the county of Eſſex; and two rent charges iſſuing out of the ſaid laſtmentioned manor: and by the ſaid letters patent, 1. Founds a Free School at Middleton in Lancaſhire, appoints the Principal and Fellows Governors, and incorporates them for that purpoſe. The Upper Maſter is to receive from the College twenty marcs, the Under Maſter ten marcs, yearly. 2. Founds ſix Scholarſhips in Braſennoſe College; the Scholars to be called Queen Elizabeth's Scholars, and to receive each five marcs yearly. They are to be choſen out the School of Middleton, or, in defect of ſuch, out of the School of Whalley, or Burnley, or, in defect *A. D.* 1572. Free School at Middleton. Six Queen Elizabeth's Scholars.

Seven Nowel's Scholars.

fect of ſuch, out of any School in Lancaſhire. 3. Enables Doctor Nowel to found ſeven other Scholarſhips, who are likewiſe to receive five marcs a year, and to be choſen from the Schools abovementioned; or, if they do not ſupply them, from any other School. None of theſe Scholars is to enjoy his place longer than ſix years. If any of Nowel's Scholars are abſent, ſubſtitutes are to be appointed for them out of the Schools abovementioned.

Advowſon of Gillingham.

Afterwards (A. D. 1579.) the ſame Queen by letters patent gave to the College, as Governors of the School of Middleton, the manor of Upberry and Rectory of Gillingham and Chapel of Lidſing, in truſt to pay to each of the thirteen Scholars abovementioned five marcs yearly; and to the Upper Maſter of the ſame School 1*l.* 3*s.* 4*d*, and to the Under Maſter 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* yearly; and on truſt alſo to apply to the amendment of commons 6*s.* 8*d.* every week in the following proportions; *viz.* to the Principal, if preſent or abſent on College Buſineſs, 1*s.* 4*d*; to the Vice-Principal, if preſent, 10*d*; and the remaining 3*s.* 6*d.* to be divided equally among the Fellows being preſent. [*Vide copies of evidences belonging to Braſennoſe College page* 132.]

Commemoration of Doctor Nowel.

N. B. By a decree of ſeniority dated the twentieth of January, A. D. 1602, there is be an annual Commemoration of Doctor Nowel on the thirteenth of February; the Principal, if preſent, to receive 2*s.* 6*d*; the Vice-Principal 20*d*; and each of the Fellows 1*s.* and the abovementioned Scholars 8*d.* and 20*s.* to be given of the College money to encreaſe the commons on that day.

A. D. 1572.

RICHARD HARPER of Swarkſton in the county of Derby Eſquire, Juſtice of the Court of Common Pleas, gave one cloſe in the field of Derby, one meſſuage in Frier Gate in Derby, and divers other lands,

Greek Lecturer.

&c. in Derby, to found a Greek Lectureſhip. The Lecturer is to be a Fellow; to be elected by the Principal and Fellows at the uſual time of chuſing the other Officers of the ſaid College; and is to have no other Lectureſhip during that year. He is to read, open, and expound, three days in every week in term-time, and alſo in the great vacation, openly in the Hall, to the Scho-

Scholars and Students, ſome part of the greek grammar, or ſome greek author, or both, at the diſcretion of the Principal, or Vice-Principal, and Senior Burſar; and, before every ſuch reading, the Lecturer is to hear the Scholars make repetition of the preceding lecture: and he is alſo to enjoin them to make weekly ſome exerciſe in the Greek tongue, whereby it may appear to the Principal and Vice-Principal, if they chuſe to call for ſuch exerciſes, as well as to the Lecturer himſelf, how they profit in the ſame. The Lecturer's ſtipend is 4*l.* to be paid quarterly: but for every default the Burſars are to deduct 12*d.* for the uſe of the College; unleſs he allege a reaſonable excuſe. If any better method be found out by the Principal and Fellows, the Lecturer is bound to follow their directions. There is to be an annual Commemoration of him on St. Andrew's day; the Principal to receive 2*s*, and 19*s*. to be divided among the Fellows preſent. Alſo he gives 2*s*. 6*d*. for two fires in the Hall on that day; and 16*s*. 6*d*. for a gaudy for the Principal, Fellows, and other Students and Servants of the ſaid College. If the lands fail, the Commemoration &c. are to ceaſe, rather than the Reader's ſtipend; but that muſt ceaſe alſo, if it be neceſſary. N. B. It is mentioned in this compoſition, that, by conſent of all parties, the Philoſophy and Humanity Readers are to be elected at the ſame time with the Greek Lecturer.

Commemoration.

A. D. 1603.

BY virtue of a decree, made by the Commiſſioners acting under the ſtatute of charitable uſes, and afterwards confirmed by Lord Chancellor Elleſmere, the right of nominating a Lecturer, to preach every Sunday in the Church or Chapel of Rodborough in the pariſh of Minching-Hampton in the county of Glouceſter, was veſted in the Principal and Fellows. He is to be maſter of arts and to be allowed by the Biſhop of Glouceſter. His ſtipend ariſes from the rents of certain lands, &c. lying in Rodborough, Biſley, Kingſtanley, and Minching-Hampton: the yearly ſum of 5*l.* being firſt deducted for the repairs of the Church. The lands are veſted in Truſtees, who are appointed by the inhabitants and the Lecturer.

Rodborough Lectureſhip.

JAMES

A. D. 1607. JAMES BINKS, alias STODDARD, of St. Olave's Old Jewry London, gave 5*l.* iſſuing out of the Swan with two necks in St. Lawrence Lane in the Old Jewry, to maintain one Scholar to be elected by the College. If his heirs do not pay the rent charge in fourteen days after it is due, the College has power to diſtrein.

One Scholar.

A. D. 1609. GEORGE PALIN, Citizen and Girdler of London, gave 300*l.* (which ſum was laid out in purchaſing lands in Tirrington St. John's in Norfolk) to provide exhibitions of 4*l.* per annum, for four poor Scholars being Fellows. Preference is to be given to Cheſhire men, if they are not undeſerving; and the exhibition is to laſt as long as they are Fellows, unleſs they become Doctors, or for ſome miſdemeanour are amoved from it by the Principal and Fellows. If after any vacancy the College does not appoint a new Exhibitioner in three months, then the Lord Mayor of London is to nominate for that turn.

Palin's four Exhibitioners.

A. D. 1613. RICHARD TAYLOR, Fellow, gave the Living of Sellham.

Advowſon of Sellham.

A. D. 1628. JOHN BARNESTON, D. D. Canon of Saliſbury, and formerly Fellow of Braſennoſe College, gave a rent charge of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d*, iſſuing out of the White Hart in the Strand, London, to endow an Hebrew Lectureſhip. The Lecturer is to be appointed yearly by the Principal and Fellows, and is to receive annually 6*l.* He is to read an Hebrew Lecture in the Chapel twice a week in term time, and once a week in vacation. The remaining part of the rent charge to go to the Principal and Fellows for ever.

Hebrew Lecturer.

A. D. 1647. WILLIAM HUTCHINS, B. D. late Fellow of the College gave by will the ſum of 100*l.* for the increaſe of the Vice-Principal's wages; and another hundred for the Divinity Reader, and the Maſter of the Hall, to be divided equally between them. In conſequence of this it was ordered by the College that 5*l.* per annum, ſhould be aſſigned to the Vice-Principal; and

Augmentation of the ſtipends of the Vice-Principal, and Divinity Reader, and Maſter of the Hall.

and to the Divinity Reader, and Maſter of the Hall, 2*l.* 10*s.* each.

SAMUEL RADCLIFFE, D. D. and Principal of the College, gave two Cloſes in Edmonton in the county of Middleſex to certain perſons in truſt for the School in Steeple Aſton, with a power to the Burſar of Braſennoſe to receive the rents and pay the Schoolmaſter who is to be nominated by the Principal and Fellows. At the renewal of the leaſe, the fine is to be ſet by the Principal and Fellows; and to be applied to the reparation of the School-houſe, and Schoolmaſter's Chambers; and to defray ſuits in law. When any three of the Truſtees are dead, the reſt are to convey the truſt to ſuch perſons as the College ſhall appoint: and the Principal and Fellows are further empowered to make laws and regulations for the government of the School. *A. D.* 1640. Steeple Aſton School.

He bequeathed 1000*l.* for building the Chapel, and 600*l.* for the Cloiſters. At the ſame time he gave 40*l.* iſſuing out of lands in Harradon to be diſpoſed of as follows; viz. 10*l.* for a Commemoration (of which 5*l.* is to be ſpent upon a dinner, 20*s.* to be paid for a Sermon at morning prayers, and 4*l.* to be divided between the Principal and Fellows then preſent, ſo that the Principal have a double ſhare) on the day of his death; 36*s.* 8*d.* to the Keeper of the Library, who is Cuſtos Jocalium; 10*l.* to be paid yearly to the Schoolmaſter at Steeple Aſton, above what he had before given; 10*l.* for erecting two Scholarſhips, allowing the Scholars five Marcs apiece yearly, and the reſt to go to the dead Houſe. The Scholars are to be choſen as other Scholars, and out of the School of Steeple Aſton, or in defect of perſons properly qualified from thence, from Rochdale School in Lancaſhire, or in defect, from Middleton School in the ſame county; or in defect, out of the Undergraduates of Braſennoſe College who are unpreferred: but the College are required to wait a quarter of a year after every vacancy for candidates from Steeple Aſton School, before they proceed to elect any other perſon. The Scholars are to receive at the Commemoration 20*d.* a piece out of the overplus of the ſtipend to the Cuſtos Jocalium; for it was not his intention that *A. D.* 1648. Chapel, and cloyſters. Commemoration. Steeple Aſton School. Two Scholarſhips.

that 36*s.* 8*d.* ſhould be added to his ſtipend, but that his ſtipend ſhould be encreaſed to 40*s.* The remaining 10*l.* he orders to be laid up in the Treaſury, as a ſtock for the Junior Burſar to buy cates, who is yearly to receive the ſame upon giving good ſecurity, and at the end of the year to deliver it into the Treaſury and take up his bond.

Junior Burſar.

A. D. 1654. JOHN MILWARD, Gentleman, of Haverfordweſt, left lands in Bordeſly in the county of Warwick and a Meſſuage in Birmingham called the Red Lion, to the Principal and Fellows of Braſennoſe College, the Bailiff of Birmingham, and the Mayor of Haverfordweſt, in truſt for various uſes; and amongſt others, one third part thereof to found a Scholarſhip, to be filled by a proper perſon elected from the Schools of Birmingham and Haverfordweſt by turns. And it was agreed by all parties that the Scholarſhip ſhould be holden till the Scholar ſhould be of ſtanding for the degree of M. A. and no longer, or till he ſhould obtain a Fellowſhip in the Univerſity, or ſuch preferment in the country as would prevent his reſidence in College; and further that the profits during a vacancy ſhould be converted to the uſe of the College.

One Scholar from the Schools of Birmingham and Haverfordweſt.

A. D. 1665. JOHN CARTWRIGHT, Eſquire, of Aynho, in the county of Northampton, gave a rent charge of 10*l.* a year, iſſuing out of the Farm called Godwin's Farm in Milcombe in the Pariſh of Bloxham in the county of Oxford, in truſt to apply 8*l.* of it to the maintenance of two Scholars of the age of fifteen years at leaſt, born in the counties of Cheſter, Northampton and Oxford, and eſpecially out of the School of Aynho, or the pariſhes of Budworth or Wrenbury in Cheſhire, to be nominated by the ſaid John Cartwright and his heirs for ever. He appoints the 8*l.* to be divided equally between theſe Scholars, who are to be called Cartwright's Scholars: and likewiſe inſtitutes a Commemoration on the day of Doctor Radcliffe's Commemoration, at which the Principal is to receive 5*s.* and 25*s.* are to be divided equally amongſt the Fellows and Scholars preſent. The remaining 10*s.* of the ſaid rent charge are to be given to the Preacher on that day. The money ariſing from the abſence of the Scho-

Two Scholars.

Commemoration.

Preacher.

Scholars or vacancy of the Scholarſhips is to be given towards the Commemoration, in ſuch manner that the Principal ſhall receive one ſixth part, and the reſt be equally divided amongſt the Fellows preſent.

ANNE WALKER of London, Spinſter, bequeathed a meſſuage and lands in Shotſwell in the county of Warwick, and other lands in Cropredey in Oxfordſhire, on condition that 40*l.* ſhould be paid annually for the maintenance of a Schoolmaſter at Charlbury to be choſen in one month after the vacancy, and out of Braſennoſe College, if any may be found fit; and that 10*l.* more be appropriated to two Scholars to be choſen from the ſaid School, or, in default of ſuch, natives of the county of Oxford; who are to continue till they be of ſtanding for the degree of M. A. The Principal and Fellows are appointed Viſitors of the School; and have power after three admonitions to amove the Maſter, and elect another. The Scholars are not allowed to be abſent more than ſix weeks in the year under pain of amotion: and the taxes are ordered to be deducted from the penſions of the ſaid Schoolmaſter and Scholars in proportion to their reſpective value. *A. D.* 1675. Charlbury School. Two Scholars from Charlbury School, or county of Oxford.

MICHAEL WOODWARD, D. D. Warden of New College appointed by his laſt Will the Principal of Braſennoſe College, together with the Warden and three Senior Fellows of New College for ever, Truſtees to nominate to three Exhibitions for his relations, being of any College in the Univerſity of Oxford. *A. D.* 1675. Woodward's Exhibitioners.

HUGH HENLEY gave money to found one Scholarſhip. *A. D.* 1675. One Scholar.

DANIEL GREENWOOD, Fellow, gave the Living of Catworth. Advowſon of Catworth.

RICHARD REED, of Lugwardine in the county of Hereford, Eſquire, gave a rent charge of 4*l.* a year iſſuing out of lands, &c. called Barteſtrie's Court in the Townſhip of Barteſtrie and Pariſh of Weſton Begger in the county of Hereford, for the maintenance of one Scholar, who is to be allowed 1*s.* 8*d.* a week till he be of *A. D.* 1676. One Scholar of the Founder's lineage.

of ſtanding for the degree of M. A. and muſt be of the poſterity of the Founder, or, if none ſuch offer, muſt be elected out of the School of Boſbury in the county of Hereford, or, in defect of ſuch, out of the Free School of the city of Hereford, and muſt be by birth of the county of Hereford. Every vacancy is to be filled up within ſix weeks: and if the lands fail the Exhibition is to ceaſe.

Or of the Schools of Boſbury, or Hereford.

A. D. 1676. THOMAS CHURCH, B. D. and Fellow of Braſennoſe College, gave 300*l.* to purchaſe lands for the maintenance of two Scholars, to be elected by the Principal and Fellows, of the kindred of the Founder, born in the town of Nantwich in the county of Cheſter, or in default of ſuch, any born in the ſaid County; and to receive each of them 7*l.* yearly. Every vacancy is to be filled up in one month; and the Scholars are to continue till they are of ſtanding for the degree of Maſter of Arts. He likewiſe appoints a Commemoration on the day of his death, at which the Principal is to receive 3*s*, the Fellows preſent 1*s*. 6*d*, and each of his Scholars 1*s*.

Two Scholars of the Founder's lineage, born in Cheſhire.

Commemoration.

A.D. 1679. SARAH, DUTCHESS Dowager of Somerſet, gave various meſſuages and lands in the pariſh of Iver in the county of Buckingham, for the benefit of four Scholars to be called Somerſet Scholars, and to be choſen within forty days after every vacancy, from the Free School of Mancheſter, with preference to the natives of Lancaſhire, Cheſhire, and Herefordſhire; or if none from the ſaid School offer themſelves, the vacancy to be filled with any native of the three counties. They are to receive each 5*s*. a week for ſeven full years from their admiſſion, (except during their abſence contrary to the Statutes, and except they be promoted to a Fellowſhip in this or any other College, or be expelled) and are to have one chamber found them by the College, with four Studies, or elſe four diſtinct chambers. They are required to wear cloth gowns with open ſleeves, like the Students of Chriſt Church, and ſquare caps, but without taſſels while they are Undergraduates. At their admiſſion they are to receive from the College a new gown and cap, and a new gown and cap at the beginning of the third year; and again at the beginning of the fifth year; and are to depoſit no caution, but if they do not pay their battels within

Four Scholars from Mancheſter School.

within a fortnight after they are due, their names are to be croſſed, and their allowance ſtopped, till all arrears are paid. The Biſhop of Lincoln is appointed their Viſitor, and ſpecially requeſted by the Ducheſs to viſit once in three years. She appoints a Commemoration on the day of the foundation; and a latin ſpeech on that day to be made by one of the Somerſet Scholars (who are to take it in ſucceſſion) to commemorate their Benefactreſs. At this time 40*s.* is to be diſtributed to the Principal, Fellows, and Scholars preſent at prayers; of which the Principal is to have a double ſhare.

Commemoration; and Speech.

She afterwards gave in her will, dated 1686, the manor of Thornhill, in Wiltſhire, to the Principal and Fellows, to increaſe the number of her Scholars; which increaſed number ſhe orders likewiſe to be called Somerſet Scholars. They are to have the ſame allowance, and to be under the ſame regulations as the former; but are to be elected from the Free Schools of Mancheſter, Marlborough and Hereford alternately. The College is to give notice of a vacancy within thirty days to the Schoolmaſter of that School from which the Scholar is to be elected; and if this be not obſerved, the privilege of electing into any of the additional Scholarſhips for the next ſeven years is to be forfeited; and to be veſted during that time, in her truſtees, *viz.* Lord Delamere, Sir Samuel Grimſton, and Sir William Gregory; and their heirs. If any of the Scholars be abſent more than three months in one year, upon any pretence whatever, his place is ipſo facto void. No new leaſe is to be granted for a longer term than twenty one years; the beſt improved rent is to be taken which can be procured, and the fine not to be more than one third of ſuch improved rent, but the other two thirds to be reſerved for an annual payment. The tenants are to pay all taxes and keep the premiſes in repair. Of the fines three parts out of four are to go the College, in conſideration of finding chambers, ſtudies, caps, and gowns; and the other fourth to the benefit of all the Somerſet Scholars, to buy them books. The Scholarſhips are to be encreaſed in number, proportionably to the increaſe of the eſtate; that is, a new Scholarſhip is to be added continually, when the eſtates ſhall have increaſed 15*l.* a year.

Somerſet Thornhill Scholars, for the Schools of Mancheſter, Marlborough, and Hereford alternately.

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Thornhill Manor Scholars.

She further gave her leaſehold farm in the ſame manor for the eſtabliſhment of ſix other Scholarſhips. The whole profits are to go to the ſix Scholars, no others are to partake with them, nor are they to receive any parts of the rents of the manor of Thornhill. They are to be ſons of ſuch perſons as cannot afford to beſtow much upon the education of their children, and therefore the larger ſtipend is allotted them; are to be deſigned for the miniſtry; and to ſtudy divinity. In all other reſpects they differ nothing from the other additional Scholars.

Advowſon of Wotton Rivers.

By a codicil annexed to her will, dated 1691, ſhe likewiſe gave the advowſon of the living of Wotton Rivers in Wiltſhire, to the Principal, Fellows, and Scholars of Braſennoſe College, Oxford, and to the Maſter, Fellows and Scholars of St. John's College, Cambridge; who are to preſent alternately one of the Scholars upon her foundation, who has been educated in the College whoſe turn it ſhall be to preſent.

A. D.

Caution money for two Exhibitioners.

Speech on the thirtieth of January.

Commemoration.

ROBERT JONES paid to the Burſars by the hands of Doctor Charlett the ſum of 10*l*; of which he deſired that eight pounds might be ſtanding caution for the two Philpottine, Langfordian Exhibitioners, 5*s*. be given for a ſpeech upon the thirtieth of January, and the reſt be diſtributed at Mr. Porter's Commemoration. He further ſignified his deſire to perpetuate his memory, when he ſhould know what way would be moſt agreeable to the College, whether by a groſs ſum, or mortgage. In conſequence of this requeſt, the 5*s*. to the Speaker is continued, and Mr. Jones is commemorated on the fifth of November, when one of the Exhibitioners is to invite the Maſter of Univerſity College, who is to receive 1*s*. and 19*s*. is to be divided amongſt the Principal, Fellows, and Exhibitioners preſent at prayers; of which the Principal is to have a double Share, the others equal. N. B. The Philpottine, Langfordian Exhibitioners are ſo called from their Founders, CHARLES LANGFORD, Dean of HEREFORD, who gave 8*l*. and GEORGE PHILPOTT, who gave 4*l*. per annum, amounting in the whole to 12*l*; which is equally divided between them. They are nominated and paid by the Dean and Chapter of Hereford.

THOMAS

THOMAS YATE, D. D. Principal, bequeathed 100*l.* to be laid out in purchaſing lands for the augmentation of Church's Scholarſhips: and alſo one meſſuage called Willoughby Houſe in the pariſh of St. Clement Danes in Middleſex to be let for a term of years at the rent of 40*l.* of which 24*l.* are to be equally divided among his three Scholars, who are to be choſen of the lineage of his father; or, in default of ſuch, out of the pariſh of Middlewich in Cheſhire; or, in default of ſuch, out of the counties of Northampton and Wilts. The Scholarſhips ceaſe, when the Scholars are of ſtanding for the degree of Maſter of Arts: and if any of the Scholars miſbehave, the Principal is to deduct one fourth part of his allowance for that week, or for ſo many weeks as he ſhall continue to miſbehave, for a puniſhment; and to beſtow the money ſo deducted on one of the ſaid Scholars who is moſt deſerving. The money ariſing from vacancies or abſence, is to be given to ſuch as are reſident. The remainder of the ſaid 40*l.* is to be diſpoſed of in the following manner; *viz.* to the Principal on St. Thomas's day 5*l*; to the Fellows preſent that day at morning prayers 10*l*; and to the ſaid three Scholars or ſuch of them as are preſent 20*s*. When the term of years abovementioned is expired, the College are to let the premiſſes on rack rent; and apply the the increaſed income to the purpoſes of augmenting the Exhibitions before mentioned proportionably. If the lands fail, the exhibitions are to decreaſe in proportion. He alſo gave the Rectory of Middleton Cheney.

A. D. 1680.

Augmentation of Church's Scholarſhips.

Three Scholars.

Commemoration.

Advowſon of Middleton Cheney.

THOMAS WESTON, Rector of Criſsleton near Cheſter, gave 200*l.* to provide a ſtipend of 8*l.* per annum for a Mathematical Lecturer.

A. D. 1683.

Mathematical Lecturer.

WILLIAM HULME of the county of Lancaſter gave lands in truſt to certain perſons mentioned in his will, and their ſucceſſors to be elected by the ſurvivors of them, to maintain four Exhibitioners of the pooreſt ſort of Bachelors for the ſpace of four years, to commence from the time of taking the degree of Bachelor of Arts. They are to be nominated by the Warden of Mancheſter, the Rector of Preſtwich, and the Rector of

A. D. 1691.

Hulme's Exhibitioners.

of Bury for the time being. N. B. By Act of Parliament, the truſtees have power of increaſing the number of the Exhibitioners.

A. D. 1701. Bridgeman's Speech. SIR FRANCIS BRIDGEMAN, Knight, bequeathed among other things, 500*l.* for a panegyric yearly on King James the Second. N. B. By a decree in chancery (A. D. 1734.) it was ordered to be applied to pay one Fellow, to be appointed yearly by the College, for making and pronouncing an oration on ſome of the arts and ſciences taught in the Univerſity. The Principal and Fellows appointed a Commemoration for him on the twenty firſt day of December.

Commemoration.

A. D. 1721. Advowſon of Begbrook. BENJAMIN SWETE of St. Clement Dane's London, Eſquire, bequeathed to the Principal and his ſucceſſors one Preſentation out of four to the Living of Begbrook in the county of Oxford, on truſt that he ſhall preſent one of the Fellows.

A. D. 1725. One Thouſand Pounds to the Library. WILLIAM GRIMBALDSON, M. D. gave 1000*l.* (which were laid out in purchaſing lands in North Hinkſey in the county of Berks) to buy books for the library, at the choice of the Principal and ſenior Fellows, annually on the twenty fourth day of June. The Principal and Fellows added a Commemoration for him on the twenty fourth day of June.

Commemoration.

A. D. 1725 Jackſon's Truſtees and Advowſon. HENRY JACKSON, Minor Canon of St. Paul's London, in his will appoints the Principal of Braſennoſe with the Warden of New College Viſitors of his Foundation at Merton College: and, among other bequeſts, gives to his truſtees 800*l.* to purchaſe a perpetual advowſon, in truſt to preſent thereto one of his Scholars being a Prieſt, or, in defect of ſuch an one, ſome one of the Fellows of Merton being a Prieſt, or, in defect of ſuch, one of the Fellows of Braſennoſe College.

A. D. 1732. Halſted's bequeſt of ſix additional Fellowſhips. CHARLES HALSTED, of Rowley in the county of Lancaſter, Eſquire, after ſeveral limitations, bequeathed his lands, &c. in Lancaſhire, to endow ſix additional Fellowſhips in Braſennoſe College; in the election to which, preference is to be given to his relations.

SIR

SIR JOHN CHESHIRE, Knight, Serjeant at Law, bequeaths 500*l.* to be laid out in land of the yearly value of 25*l*: which, by a decree in chancery, (A.D. 1743,) is to be applied to the improvement of the yearly income and allowance of the Principal and Fellows; *viz.* to the Principal 40*s*; and to each of the Fellows 20*s*. The remaining three pounds are for a Commemoration on the fifteenth of May.

A. D. 1737. Cheſhire's Augmentation and Allowance.

Commemoration.

The Form uſed in the Election of Fellows, taken from a Memorandum in an old Statute-Book.

1. Is read by the ſenior Elector the Statute *De Electione Sociorum.* 2. The Electors are ſworn to obſerve that Statute. 3. The Statute of the Kingdom concerning Elections is read. 4. Next, the Principal and Vice-Principal (the two Scrutators) go to the Communion Table, and give their Suffrage *in Scriptis:* after them the reſt according to ſeniority, give their voices *ſecundum hanc formam*; *Ego A. B. nomino C. B. Artium Baccalaureum in annum probationis.* 5. After the Scrutators have overviewed the Scroll, they go to their Seats again, and the ſenior announces ſuch an one choſen *in annum probationis*, either that he is choſen *conſenſu unanimi*, or *per majorem partem ſuffragantium:* which done, the junior Elector goes for the newly choſen Probationer. 6. The perſon elected, being come, firſt takes an oath, *viz.* that part of the Statute *De Electione Sociorum*, beginning thus, *Ego A. B. juro quod non habeo patrimonium feodum, &c.* to theſe words, *ſi vero infra menſem, &c.* 7. He is to take two other oaths of the Kingdom: *viz.* the

the oath of Supremacy, and next, that of Allegiance to his Majeſty: which done, he departs; and then the company.

The Form uſed at the Confirmation of Fellows, taken from the ſame old Statute-Book.

1. Is read the latter part of the Statute *de Electione Sociorum*, which begins with theſe words, *Quemlibet vero electum, &c.* to theſe words, *Statim hujuſmodi ſic admiſſus, &c.* 2. The Fellow ſo admitted reads the three oaths, *viz. Juramentum Sociorum* (Stat. cap. 7.) the oath of Allegiance, and the oath of Supremacy.

The Oath of Allegiance.

I A. B. do ſincerely promiſe and ſwear that I will be faithful, and bear true Allegiance to his Majeſty King George.

So help me God.

The Oath of Supremacy.

I A. B. do ſwear, that I do from my heart abhor, deteſt, and abjure, as impious and heretical, that damnable doctrine and poſition, that Princes excommunicated or deprived by the Pope, or any Authority of the See of Rome, may be depoſed or murthered by their Subjects, or any other whatſoever.

And I do declare, that no foreign Prince, Perſon, Prelate, State or Potentate, hath, or ought to have any Juriſdiction, Power, Superiority, Preeminence, or Authority, Eccleſiaſtical or Spiritual, within this Realm.

So help me God.

The Oath taken by Scholars at their admiſſion.

Ego N. N. juro, quod obſervabo omnia Statuta hujus Collegii, quatenus perſonam meam concernunt.
Ita me Deus adjuvet.

The Form of Reſignation of a Fellowſhip, from the ſame old Statute Book.

Ego N. N. Artium Magiſter, Socius indubitatus Aulæ Regiæ & Collegii de Braſennoſe, reſigno in manus N. omne meum jus & intereſſe, quod in dicti Collegii Societate habeo per preſentes, nec dolo circumventus, nec metu coactus, pure & ſponte: In cujus rei teſtimonium nomen meum propria manu ſubſcripſi & ſigillum appoſui.

N. N.

L. S.

Dat. . . . . A. D. &c.

Form of Letters Teſtimonial, from the ſame.

Cum A. B. e Collegio Ænei Naſi literas noſtras commendatitias de vita ſua laudabili, morumque integritate, concedi ſibi, petierit; Nos infra nominati, Principalis & ſex Socii ſeniores ejuſdem Collegii, tam honeſtæ ejus petitioni (quantum in nobis eſt) obſecundare volentes, teſtamur, & teſtatum facimus, per præſentes, dictum A. B. per ſpatium annorum quibus apud nos vixit ſedulam ſtudiis ſuis dediſſe operam, vitam & mores pie

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ac ſobrie inſtituiſſe, neque unquam (quod ſciamus) quicquam ant credidiſſe aut teruiſſe, niſi quod orthodoxum eſſet, & ſinceræ fidei congruum, quodque Eccleſia noſtra Anglicana jam approbat, & tuetur. In cujus rei teſtimonium nomina noſtra propria manu appoſuimus.

Dat. . . . . A. D. &c.

A Form of a Grant by Doctor Nowel, to the School Maſter of Middleton, from the ſame.

Noverint univerſi per præſentes, me Alexandrum Nowel Decanum Eccleſiæ Cathedralis Divi Pauli London, deſignaſſe, & conſtituiſſe, & per præſentes deſignare & conſtituere dilectum mihi in Chriſto Robertum Walkeden, Artium Magiſtrum, præceptorem & magiſtrum in libera Schola Reginæ Elizabethæ in Middleton in Comitatu Lancaſtriæ, illique ſtipendium annuum viginti librarum legalis monetæ Angliæ, & cubiculum in ſuperiori parte ejuſdem Scholæ, & agri vocati *the nethermoſt Barrow Field* inferiorem partem, ſepibus & foſsâ incluſam, & pratum ſive paſcuum propinquum, ad eandem Scholam pertinentia aſſignaſſe, utenda & fruenda, durante vita naturali ſuâ, eâ conditione ut Scholares dictam Scholam frequentantes in vera pietate, honeſtis moribus, & bonis literis diligenter inſtituat & informet. In cujus rei teſtimonium præſentibus nomen meum adſcripſi, & ſigillum meum appoſui viceſimo ſeptimo die menſis Martii, anno Domini 1593.

Per me Alexandrum Nowel.

L. S.

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Statuta legenda coram non graduatis et Baccalaureis. From the ſame.

Præfatio. Dein Capitula 1. 8. 9. 11. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 22. 23. 27. 29. 30. 31. 36. 38.

Halls included in the Site of the College. From the ſame.

1. Parva Aula Univerſitatis, et Ænei Naſi.
2. Black Hall.
3. Staple Hall.
4. Saliſbury Hall.
5. Little Edmund Hall.
6. Glazier's Hall.
7. Haberdaſher's Hall.

Townſhips in the Pariſh of Preſtbury. Taken from Dr. Yates's Book.

Sutton.
Macclesfield.
Tidrington.
Upton.
Ridge.
Fallibrome.
Adlington.
Newton.
Buttley.
Bollington.
Wordford.
Poynton.
Lime.
Diſley.
Shrigly.
Pott.
Ravenow.
Henbury.
Henſhaw.
Langly.
Wild-bore-clough.
Marton.
Siddington.
Wythington.
Capeſtorn.
Pexhall.
Birches.
Mottram St. Andrews.
Hadsfield.
Boſley.
Winde.
Chorley. *
Chilford. *
Snelſton. *

N. B. Alderley and Taxley in Cheſhire have been proved to be diſtinct Pariſhes from Preſtbury, by copies of divers records.

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Townſhips in the Pariſh of Preſcot. From the ſame.

Farnworth.	Sutton.
Widnes.	Eccleſton.
Sankey.	Ditton.
Whiſton.	Kewardley.
Windle.	Parr.
Bold.	Rainhill.
Penketh.	Rainsford.
Croxtath.	

Extracts from the College Regiſter; relating to the Election and Confirmation of a Principal.

Aprilis die viceſimo ſeptimo Anno Domini milleſimo ſeptingenteſimo ſeptuageſimo. Omnes Socii domi preſentes convenerunt in Capella de die Electionis futuri Principalis tractaturi. Dies autem huic Electioni aſſignatus eſt dies decimus menſis Maii proxime inſequentis. Et literæ citatoriæ in oſtio Capellæ per Vice-Principalem figebantur in hæc verba.

(L. S.) JOHANNES NAPLETON Artium Magiſter, Aulæ Regiæ & Collegii de Braſennoſe in Univerſitate Oxonienſi Vice-Principalis, univerſis & ſingulis Sociis Collegii prædicti Salutem vobis & veſtrum cuilibet.

Tenore præſentium notum facimus & ſignificamus Reverendum Virum FRANCISCUM YARBOROUGH Sacræ Theologiæ Profeſſorem, et Collegii prædicti nuper Principalem, ſupremum diem obiiſſe, & illius obitu officium Principalis Collegii antedicti vacans eſſe et jam vacare. SCIATIS igitur nos JOHANNEM NAPLETON Vice-Principalem antedictum decimo die Maii menſis proxime

proxime ſequentis, Anno Domini milleſimo ſeptingenteſimo ſeptuageſimo commonere & citare ſex deinde Socios ſeniores Collegii noſtri tenore præſentium, ut ſimul conveniant et interſint in Sacello dicti Collegii hora nona antemeridiana die Jovis, viz. decimo die menſis Maii antedicti cum continuatione & prorogatione diei extunc ſequentis, quatenus expediat, juxta Statutorum dicti Collegii tenorem & effectum. Quem quidem diem vobis & veſtrum cuilibet preremptorium in Electionem novi Principalis in locum alterius, ſicut præmittitur, per mortem avocati, aſſignamus & præfigimus. INTIMANTES vobis & veſtrum cuilibet, quod ſi dictis die, hora, & loco non comparueritis, aut aliquis veſtrum non comparuerit, quod tunc nos JOHANNES NAPLETON, Vice-Principalis antedictus, una cum aliis ſex maxime ſenioribus, ad Electionem novi Principalis procedere non deferemus; abſentiis veſtris vel abſentia alicujus veſtrum in aliquo non obſtantibus vel obſtante.

Datum in Sacello dicti Collegii ſub ſigillo quo hac in parte utimur & ſubſcriptione manus noſtræ die menſis Aprilis viceſimo ſeptimo, Anno Regni Domini noſtri Georgii tertii Dei Gratia Magnæ Britanniæ Franciæ & Hiberniæ Regis, Fidei Defenſoris, &c. decimo, Annoque Domini milleſimo ſeptingenteſimo ſeptuageſimo.

JOHANNES NAPLETON, Vice-Principalis.

Maii decimo, die Electioni novi Principalis aſſignato, GULIELMUS GWYN, A. M. Rector Eccleſiæ de Cottingham in agro Northantonienſi, Collegii noſtri nuperrime Socius, electus eſt in Principalem unanimi conſenſu Suffragantium: qua quidem electione ipſi, cum præſens forte fuerit, intimata, acceptabat coram omnibus Sociis domi preſentibus in Capella congregatis: & peractis inibi peragendis, ſtatim ſcribebantur literæ ſubſequentes ſub ſigillo communi ad Dominum Epiſcopum Lincolnienſem, & mittebantur per Magiſtrum MAYER.

N. B.

[N. B. The Form of Election is as follows. When the Electors are met in the Chapel, the Senior firſt declares the cauſe of the convention; and then they proceed to receive the holy Sacrament, which is adminiſtred in latin by the two Seniors in Surplices. When this is done, the Statute *De Electione Principalis* is read by the Senior, and the Statute of the Realm relating to elections. Then all the Electors take the oath preſcribed in the College Statute, beginning with theſe words, *Quod poſtpoſitis omnimodis amore* &c. and ending with theſe words, *plus poſſe proficere & velle.* The two ſimply Seniors who are Scrutators, next take another oath in the ſame Statute: *quod vota ſingulorum Eligentium in ipſa Electione diligenter & fideliter examinabunt.* The other Electors then declare to theſe two ſecretly and ſeparately their votes, and write them down with their own hands; after which the two Scrutators do the ſame in the preſence and hearing of the two next Seniors. The ſcrutiny being faithfully communicated, and diligently examined, the Election is declared by the Senior; and if the perſon elected be preſent, or if not, as ſoon as he comes, he kneels down together with all the Fellows in College, who are now to be aſſembled, at the rails of the Altar: and the two Scrutators being within the rails, the Senior ſays *Salvum fac Servum tuum, Domine.* Reſp. *Deus meus ſperantem in te.* Preſb. *Dominus vobiſcum.* Reſp. *Et cum Spiritu tuo.* Oratio. *Actiones noſtras*, &c. as in the Liturgy: after which the Congregation is diſmiſſed with the Bleſſing.]

Reverendo admodum in Chriſto Patri, Domino Domino Johanni Permiſſione Divina Lincolnienſi Epiſcopo, Aulæ Regiæ & Collegii de Braſennoſe in Univerſitate Oxonienſi Viſitatori & Patrono.

Veſtri humiles & devoti JOHANNES NAPLETON A.M. Vice-Principalis & ſex Socii ſeniores Collegii prædicti omnimodam reverentiam & obedientiam tanto Patri debitam cum honore. Vacante nuper officio Principalis Collegii prædicti per mortem naturalem FRANCISCI YARBOROUGH S. T. P. noviſſimi Principalis, nos

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in Capella dicti Collegii ſimul congregati, vocatis primitus & præmonitis omnibus & ſingulis ejuſdem Collegii Sociis, viſis & examinatis Statutis & Conſuetudinibus dicti Collegii, die & anno infraſcriptis, ſecundum Statuta dicti Collegii, ad Electionem novi Principalis proceſſimus. In qua Electione viritim examinati Socii prædicti per Scrutatores, *Quem nominarent in Principalem?* omnes unanimi conſenſu nominabant Venerabilem Virum GULIELMUM GWYN in Artibus Magiſtrum, Rectorem de Cottingham in agro Northantonienſi, Collegii noſtri nuper Socium, in locum FRANCISCI YARBOROUGH jam defuncti; quem GULIELMUM GWYN A. M. Vice-Principalis in Principalem dicti Collegii electum pronunciavit. Nos igitur Vice-Principalis & Socii Aulæ Regiæ & Collegii de Braſennoſe prædictum GULIELMUM GWYN veſtræ Reverendæ Paternitati ſecundum formam Statutorum tenore præſentium nominamus; humiliter ſupplicantes, quod eundem GULIELMUM GWYN in Principalem dictæ Aulæ Regiæ et Collegii de Braſennoſe præficere, ac illi Adminiſtrationem Aulæ & Collegii prædicti, juxta Statutorum exigentiam plenarie committere dignetur veſtra Reverenda Paternitas; quam in proſperis diutius conſervet Deus Optimus Maximus ad ſalubre regimen gregis ſui. In cujus rei teſtimonium Sigillum noſtrum commune præſentibus apponi fecimus.

Datum die decimo menſis Maii Anno Salutis humanæ milleſimo ſeptingenteſimo quadragimo quinto.

(L. S.)

Maii decimo ſexto, convocatis a Domino Vice-Principali omnibus Sociis domi præſentibus, & ad oſtium Collegii noſtri congregatis, Magiſter GWYN, nuperrime in Principalem electus intrabat, comitante Magiſtro MAYER; qui Vice-Principali in manus deferebat literas a Viſitatore noſtro ſubſequentes; quibus in Capella palam recitatis, & præſtitis juramentis ſecundum Statuta Collegii & leges Angliæ requiſitis, Dominus Principalis, deducente Vice-Principali, in ſella ſua in choro Capellæ collocatus eſt.

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(L. S.) JOHANNES Permiſſione Divina Lincolnienſis Epiſcopus Dilectis nobis in Chriſto JOHANNI NAPLETON A. M. Vice-Principali Aulæ Regiæ & Collegii de Braſennoſe in Univerſitate Oxonienſi, nec non ſex Sociis ſenioribus, cæteriſque Sociis & Scholaribus, & aliis quibuſcunque ad idem Collegium quoviſmodo ſpectantibus Salutem in Domino ſempiternam.

JOHANNES LINCOLN.

Literas prædicti JOHANNIS NAPLETON A. M. Vice-Principalis & ſex Sociorum ſeniorum Aulæ Regiæ & Collegii veſtri prædicti nuper recepimus in hæc verba, videlicet, Vacante nuper &c. (*reciting the whole letter*) Ad quarum quidem literarum petitionem nos JOHANNES Permiſſione Divina Lincolnienſis Epiſcopus pro ea, quæ nobis per Statuta dicti Collegii competit authoritate dictam electionem ſive nominationem ſic per vos factam quantum in nobis eſt, approbamus, ratificamus, & confirmamus; dictumque GULIELMUM GWYN per vos electum & nobis nominatum, in Principalem Aulæ Regiæ & Collegii prædicti præficiendum eſſe decernimus, prout per præſentes præficimus: Eique adminiſtrationem prædictæ Aulæ & Collegii veſtri plenarie committimus, mandantes & requirentes, quatenus eidem Principali, ſic a vobis electo & nominato ac a nobis rite præfecto, debitam reverentiam & obſequium juxta dictæ Aulæ & Collegii veſtri Statutorum exigentiam præſtetis: Deumque Optimum Maximum, omnis bonæ donationis Authorem, ipſius Principalis & omnium veſtrum nomine, obnixe rogamus, ut eidem Principali veſtro donare dignetur, ut in omnibns dicti Collegii negotiis peragendis, afflatu Spiritus Sancti ductus, pie, prudenter & pacifice dictum exequatur officium, & ſpei veſtræ de eo conceptæ & votis veſtris piis digne in omnibus reſpondeat.

Datum ſub Sigillo noſtro duodecimo die menſis Maii Anno Domini milleſimo ſeptingenteſimo ſeptuageſimo, noſtræque Conſecrationis nono.

Copies

Copies of ſome of the moſt remarkable Interpretations, Declarations, and Expoſitions of our Viſitors, with the Titles or ſhort Abſtracts of ſuch as are of leſſer conſequence. From the College Regiſter.

BISHOP WHITE'S Declarations upon certain doubts propoſed to him by the Principal and Fellows. *A. D.* 1554.

Si quis Socius Collegii de Braſennoſe prædicti, Beneficium aliquod eccleſiaſticum (propter quod poſt annum gratitudinis tranſactum a Collegio prædicto recedere debeat) fuerit aſſecutus, ac poſtea, viz. ante prædictum gratitudinis annum tranſactum, pœnitentia ductus, idem beneficium, proper exilitatem, aut aliam cauſam legitimam depoſuerit & reſignaverit, in hoc caſu ipſum (quandoquidem dum reſignaverit Socius actualiter exiſtebat) in ſocietate permanere privilegiaque & jura ejuſdem Collegii de jure percipere debere declaramus.

Electionem CHRISTOPHERI CARYE ad officium Lectoris publici Scholarium in dicto Collegio legitimam eſſe, & ſecundum formam Statutorum dicti Collegii factam, quandoquidem ad idem officium per majorem partem, hoc eſt, per quatuor eligentes, deputatus fuit, declaramus.

Electionem OLIVARII WYTHINGTON in alterum Burſariorum dicti Collegii, quamvis equales voces fuerunt, tamen quia vox & ſuffragium Principalis in electione ipſius concurrebat, legitimam, & ſecundum formam Statutorum factam declaramus, eo quod Principalis in omni electione Senior eſt reputandus, & pars in quam Principalis inclinaverit debet præponderare quamvis voces ſint equales.

Verbum illud *pronuncietur* in Statuto de Vice-Principalis electione, & ejus officio, & etiam alibi in Statutis non eſt potentialis modi, ſed imperativi.

A letter

A. D. 1556. A letter from BISHOP WHITE, to Doctor MARSHALL Vice-Chancellor, and Doctor MORWENT Preſident of Corpus Chriſti College; to ſettle the diſputes between the Principal and Fellows relative to certain expulſions. A. ff. 86 a.

A. D. 1578. A letter from BISHOP COWPER, in anſwer to the Principal, who had propoſed certain queſtions to him, and complained of an irregularity. A. ff. 85 a.

Query 1. Whether the year of grace allowed by Statute to a perſon promoted to an eccleſiaſtical benefice, ought to be extended to more than one year, in conſideration that he pays firſt fruits to the Queen? Anſwered in the negative.

Query 2. Whether a perſon promoted to a living not exceeding by valuance to the Queen, the yearly ſum of thirty nobles, though it be well known that the Incumbent have twenty pounds under or above, may retain his Fellowſhip? Anſwered in the negative. *N. B. The contrary was decreed by a ſubſequent Viſitor.*

Complaint. That many perſons owed large ſums to the College for battels. *Anſwer.* They are ordered to pay them at the next audit, or before Chriſtmas, on pain, if they be commoners, of expulſion, if fellows, of loſing their commons, and being deprived of all offices, till the College ſhould be ſatisfied.

BISHOP COWPER afterwards ſent the following re-
A. D. 1578. ſcript for the ſame purpoſe.

Multorum ignavia in perſolvendis pecuniis Burſario debitis effectum eſt ut ille, nec unde iis qui victualia ſuppeditarunt ſatisfaceret, nec quo a die in diem ſatis commode providere poſſet, haberet; Viſum eſt igitur Principali & ſex Sociis ſenioribus in hanc Sententiam decernere. Si quis Scholaris non Socius, cujuſcunque gradus fuerit, ante decimum quartum diem, finem cujuſcunque Termini immediate ſequentem, omnes & ſingulas Pecuniarum ſummas aut pro Expenſis debitas, aut

aut pro mulctis vigore Statutorum & Ordinationum hujus Collegii inflictis, non persolverit, duobus solidis & sex denariis mulctabitur. Et si infra septem dies post mulctam inflictam Bursario non satisfecerit, consimili mulcta iterum erit mulctandus; & si ante mensem immediate finem cujuscunque termini sequentem modo prædicto non satisfecerit, quilibet talis a Collegio protinus amoveatur; & Tutor ejus, si quem habuerit, in annum immediate sequentem pro nullius Tutore admittatur. Socii non solventes, quousque persolverint, Communias prorsus amittant, electiones & Sociorum conventus non accedant, Suffragia in Collegii negotiis nullatenus ferant nec activa nec passiva; sed omni officio, prælectionis munere, ac sodalitii beneficio careant. Item decernimus quod Bursarii juramenti vinculo teneantur, Scholarium tam Sociorum quam non Sociorum, cujuscunque gradus fuerint, nomina, cognomina, nec non pecuniarum summas illis debitas absque omni dolo & fraude Principali, ac, eo absente, Vice-Principali, denuntiare, quo presens decretum debitum sortiatur effectum. Ac etiam decernimus, quod iidem Bursarii omnes summas pro Communiis debitas, ac receptus, pistoribus, cerevisiariis, cæterisque creditoribus, intra quadraginta dies finem cujuscunque termini immediate sequentes persolvant, sub pœna amotionis a suo officio.

Hoc decretum ego THOMAS Lincolnienſis Episcopus, auctoritate per Statuta Collegii mihi concessa, confirmo ac ratum habeo. Septimo die Octobris *A. D.* 1578.

BISHOP COWPER's Letter concerning the commencement of the Year of Grace. *A. D.* 1579.

To my verye lovinge ffreandes Mr. HARRIES Principall of Brasennose Colledge in Oxforde, and to the Seniors there.

After mye verye hartye commendations, these are to lett youe understande, that as before time it was against the meaninge of your Statute that anye Felowe sholde have possession of a Benefice twoe yeares together withe the intereste of his Colledge: soe I wolde not wishe, nor doe thinke conveniente, that one yeare by any interpretation

terpretation ſholde bee overrigorouſlye abridged; youre Founder's meaninge was, that the Felowe ſholde have a yeare's reſpite after ſuche poſſeſſion, as wherebye hee mighte lawfullye take the fruites of the Eccleſiaſticall lyvinge, but that yeare after induction onlye, for before that he cannot juſtlye take anye fruites of the benefice. Mye opinion ys therefore, that the yeare ſholde proceede from the induction rather then from the inſtitution, eſpeciallye yff the induction be taken withowte fraude, whiche I thinke to bee, yff he be inducted within anye competente tyme after his inſtitution, as within the ſpace of a moneth, ſix weekes, or eight weekes, yff hit be further deferred, it maye ſeame to have a fraudulente meaninge to delude the Statute, and Founder's purpoſe, which I wolde be lothe ſholde be uſid uppon anye interpretation that I doe make. Some will deferr theire induction a quarter of a yeare, halfe a yeare, yea a whole yeare, and ſome will not be inducted at all, and yett in the meane tyme take the fruites of the benefice, but this I take to be falſe and fraudulente dealinge; and noe part of youre Founder's meaninge, and therefore not to be ſufferid. This man's caſe, that youe write for, I thinke to be reſonable, and withoute fraude, ſoe that his benefice be nowe fullye reſigned. This fare ye hartelye well, the 26 of Aprill 1579. Elizabethe 21.

Your lovinge freande

THOMAS LINCOLN.

A. D. 1590. Confirmation of BISHOP COWPER's Reſcript relating to Battels by the Commiſſaries of Biſhop WICKHAM. *Vide pag.* 34.

NOS EDWARDUS GERMYN S. T. P. & JOHANNES COWELL L. L. D. Reverendi in Chriſto Patris & Domini Domini GULIELMI Lincolnienſis Epiſcopi Commiſſarii ſpirituales, ad viſitandum &c. legitime deputati, ratum firmumque habemus RESCRIPTUM præmiſſum; & inſuper Burſariorum juniorem, qui pro tempore fuerit, ſub pœna quadraginta ſolidorum legalis monetæ Angliæ,

Angliæ, quoties in hoc deliquerit, nomina omnium & ſingulorum Scholarium, tam Sociorum quam non Sociorum, quos pecunias aliquas pro Communiis, ſic ut in dicto Reſcripto præmittitur, debere contigerit infra quatuordecim dies finem cujuſque termini proxime ſequentes, ad Principalem, vel, in ejus abſentia, Vice-Principalem, in ſcriptis deferre volumus & ordinamus: hanc autem mulctam per Principalem, vel, in ejus abſentia, Vice-Principalem, ad uſum Collegii ſtatim exigi, & in preſentia ſex ſeniorum Sociorum ſeniori Burſario ſolvi, & ſuper ſeniori Burſario in computo ſuo finali ejuſdem anni, non minus quam ſua cætera recepta onerari præcipimus: Tali delatione per Burſarium juniorem facta, ſi dictus Principalis, vel in ejus abſentia Vice-Principalis, debitores hujuſmodi delatos ad debita ſua juxta dicti Reſcripti tenorem perſolvenda compellere quatuordecim alios dies detractaverit ſeu diſtulerit, tum illum ad ſingulas hujuſmodi ſummas debitas & non ſolutas dicto Collegio per ſe ſatisfaciendas teneri & aſtringi decernimus.

Datum duodecimo die Novembris Anno Domini 1590. infra Collegium de Braſennoſe, tempore noſtræ Viſitationis. In præſentia mei EDWARDI CULLER L. L. B. Notarii publici, & actorum tunc Scribæ.

EDWARDUS GERMYN S. T. P.
JOHANNES COWELL L. L. D.

BISHOP CHADDERTON'S Interpretation of part of the Statute *De Sociis Collegii promotis*. *A. D.* 1600.

WILLIELMUS Providentia Divina Lincolnienſis Epiſcopus, Viſitator de Braſennoſe infra almam Academiam Oxonienſem legitime conſtitutus. Univerſis & ſingulis Chriſti fidelibus ad quos præſentes literæ teſtimoniales pervenerint Salutem in Domino. Cum quidem inter alia Statuta, Ordinationes & Conſtitutiones laudabiles ejuſdem Collegii noſtri ſtatutum, ordinatum, & proviſum exiſtit, *quod quilibet Socius dicti Collegii, habens patrimonium, feodum, annuam penſionem, præbendam, liberam capellam aut aliud beneficium eccleſiaſticum perpetuum*

petuum quodcunque cum cura, vel ſine cura, quod ſummam decem marcarum de claro communibus annis excedat, aut vicariam perpetuam cujuſcunque valoris, aut cantariam aliquam extra Univerſitatem obtinuerit, ſocietatem & jus Socii ejuſdem amittat, prout ex dicto Statuto plenius liquet, & apparet. Cumque præterea EDWARDUS GEE Clericus Sacræ Theologiæ Baccalaureus, ejuſdem Collegii noſtri Sociorum unus, fuerit & ſit in & ad rectoriam ſive Eccleſiam parochialem de Tedborne in Comitatu Devoniæ, Exceſtrenſi Dioceſi, rite & legitime preſentatus, admiſſus, inſtitutus & inductus, ſed coram nobis allegavit quod dicta rectoria in præſente adhuc litigioſa exiſtit, ita ut pacifice & quiete eandem poſſidere & gaudere non valeat ſine magnis ſuis ſumptibus & expenſis, nec adhuc de pacifica & quieta retentione & poſſeſſione ejuſdem ullam ſecuritatem habere poſſit. Unde tam dictus EDWARDUS GEE, quam Vice-Principalis, ac Socii ejuſdem Collegii noſtri (Principale ejuſdem abſente) nobis humillime ſupplicari fecerunt, quatenus hujuſmodi Statutum Collegii noſtri prædicti in præmiſſis auctoritate noſtra in hac parte nobis & ſucceſſoribus noſtris reſervata interpretari, decernere, & declarare dignaremur. Et quia dictus EDWARDUS coram nobis perſonaliter comparuerit, & juramentum perſonale tactis ſacroſanctis Chriſti Evangeliis præſtitit, quod dicta rectoria de Tedborne, ceſſantibus dolo & fraude ac malo ingenio ſuis, fuerit, ac ſit in præſenti, litigioſa, & quod non impediverit, ſeu impediri procurabit, quo minus hujuſmodi lites ſopitæ fuerint; nos præfatus Epiſcopus Viſitator antedictus, habita prius matura deliberatione in hac parte, ac de & cum conſilio jurisperitorum, cum quibus in hac parte communicavimus, nec non rei ipſius æquitatem & perpetuam aliorum Collegiorum dictæ Academiæ praxim conſiderantes, interpretamur, decernimus & declaramus, quod intentio Fundatoris Collegii noſtri antedicti in hujuſmodi Statuto non eſt accipienda aut cenſenda de beneficiis litigioſis. Ideoque auctoritate noſtra prædicta, quantum in nobis eſt, & de jure & Statutis ejuſdem Collegii poſſumus, decernimus, ordinamus & declaramus, quod bene liceat & licebit dicto EDWARDO GEE, donec & quouſque dicta rectoria, ceſſantibus dolo & fraude ac malo ingenio ſuis, litigioſa fuerit

fuerit, ſocietatem ſuam in dicto Collegio cum ſuis juribus & pertinentiis univerſis (dummodo aliud legitimum non obſtat in hac parte impedimentum) pacifice & quiete retinere & habere valeat & poſſit, Statuto Collegii noſtri prærecitato, aut aliquibus aliis Statutis, Conſuetudinibus ac Ordinationibus in contrarium non obſtantibus: in cujus rei teſtimonium ſigillum noſtrum Epiſcopale præſentibus apponi fecimus.

Datum octodecimo die menſis Septembris, anno Domini milleſimo ſexcenteſimo, noſtræque Tranſlationis anno ſexto.

WILLIELMUS LINCOLN.

BISHOP BARLOWE's Interpretation of part of the Statute *De Impedimentis Studii removendis*. *A. D.* 1609.

WILLIELMUS Providentia Divina Lincolnienſis Epiſcopus, Viſitator Collegii de Braſennoſe infra almam Academiam Oxonienſem legitime conſtitutus. Univerſis & ſingulis Chriſti fidelibus ad quos præſentes literæ teſtimoniales pervenerint Salutem in Domino. Cum quidem inter alia Statuta, Ordinationes & Conſtitutiones laudabiles ejuſdem Collegii ſtatutum ſit & ordinatum, *quod nullus Sociorum aut Scholarium vel Servientium dicti Collegii, ad taxillos, aleas, chartas, aut pilam ludat, nec aliquem alium ludum noxium, inhoneſtum, ſeu illicitum infra dictum Collegium exerceat.* Cumque per Principalem & Socios ejuſdem Collegii ſupplicatum nobis ſit, quatenus hujuſmodi Statutum Collegii prædicti in præmiſſis auctoritate noſtra nobis in hac parte reſervata interpretari, ac licentiam noſtram pro ſpæriſterio ibidem ædificando, in quantum Statutum prædictum patitur, eiſdem impertiri dignaremur: nos igitur conſulentes Juriſconſultos ab illis accepimus Imperatorum legibus, jureque Civili taxillorum, alearum, & chartarum ludos crimine non vacare, ludoſque dici & nominari noxios & illicitos, jure etiam Canonico omnino Clericis interdictos, ludum vero pilæ eſſe innoxium, licitum & permiſſum. Ideo nos tam mentem Statuentis, quam verba Statuti ſerio perpendentes, poſt maturam deliberationem ſic interpretamur, decernimus & declaramus illum pilæ ludum tantum, qui fit cum pilamine ſeu reticula

ticula, hoc Statuto esse prohibitum, & inter noxios, inhonestos & illicitos numerari, quive exerceri inter Scholares sine crimine, aut saltem lata culpa & certe pecuniarum expensis nullo modo potest: pilæ vero palmariæ ludum nequaquam esse prohibitum, qui solummodo corporis exercendi & sanitatis causa fit; si pro pecuniis omnino non ludatur, & talis moderatio adhibeatur ut non sit studiis impedimento, sic enim noxius esse non potest, aut illicitus; modum autem teneri volumus & observari illum, quem dicti Collegii Principalis, aut eo absente Vice-Principalis & duo maxime seniores, qui domi fuerint, præscribent. Ac dictum Principalem & Socios Collegii prædicti, sphæristerium ibidem pro ludo pilæ palmariæ tantum, & non aliter, ædificare & construere, seu facere ædificari (modo Statutis Regni non repugnet) licentiamus per præsentes. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum nostrum Episcopale præsentibus apponi fecimus.

Datum apud Manerium nostrum de Buckden sexto die mensis Aprilis, anno Domini millesimo sexcentesimo nono, nostræque Translationis anno primo.

WILLIELMUS LINCOLN.

A. D. 1609. An Interpretation of Bishop Barlowe *De Beneficio litigioso*, agreeing exactly with Bishop Chadderton's above; except that after the words *Declaramus quod intentio Fundatoris Collegii nostri antedicti in hujusmodi Statuto non est accipienda aut censenda de beneficio litigioso*, the following reason is added in a parenthesis: quandoquidem apud Jurisconsultos liquet eum solum obtinere beneficium, qui id vere habeat, & cum effectu: obtinere enim inquiunt esse plus quam tenere: si litigiosum sit, tenere forsan quis potest, id est, adipisci possessionem rei, non autem obtinere, id est, ita nanciscì ut eam retinere possit. B. ff. 26 b.

A. D. 1609. A letter from Bishop Barlowe requiring all members of the College to converse in the latin language. B. ff. 27 a.

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BISHOP WILLIAMS's Interpretation of part of the Statute *De Sociis promotis*. *A. D.* 1627.

JOHANNES Providentia Divina Lincolnienſis Epiſcopus, Viſitator Collegii de Braſennoſe infra almam Academiam Oxonienſem legitime conſtitutus, univerſis & ſingulis Chriſti fidelibus ad quos præſentes literæ noſtræ pervenerint Salutem in Domino. In illo Statuto dicti Collegii noſtri de Braſennoſe, quod habetur capite viceſimo ſeptimo ſub hoc titulo *De Sociis Collegii promotis, & de cauſis remotionis & receſſus eorundem*, nos ad humilem petitionem Principalis & Sociorum dicti Collegii ſecundum auctoritatem in hac parte nobis & ſucceſſoribus noſtris interpretandi, decernendi, & declarandi quæ dubia aut ambigua in iiſdem Statutis occurrunt, reſervatam, habita matura prius deliberatione, decernimus & declaramus: Primo, ſummam illam decem marcarum de claro & communibus annis, ex beneficio eccleſiaſtico perpetuo quocunque cum cura vel ſine cura provenientem, intelligi debere de tali ſumma juxta æſtimationem factam in quibuſdam libris in Scaccario Regio habitis & ſervatis, ad quos primitiæ & decima omnium beneficiorum eccleſiaſticorum hujus regni de jure ſolvuntur, deductis primo ex integra ſumma in libris regiis, ut præmiſſum eſt, habita, tum decimis quæ Regiæ Majeſtati, tum etiam procurationibus & ſynodalibus, quæ aut Epiſcopo, aut ejus Archidiacono, aut alii cuicunque perſonæ annuatim ſolvuntur. Idque vi iſtorum verborum *de claro*. Deductis porro ex eadem ſumma in libris regiis, ut præfertur, habita, annuis ſubſidiis Regiæ Majeſtati ab utravis ſynodo provinciali conceſſis, & auctoritate Parliamenti firmatis, idque vi iſtorum verborum, *communibus annis*, utpote quæ magis communiter noſtris temporibus, quam non, præſtari ſolent. Ita ut, niſi ſumma in libris regiis poſt haſce omnes & ſingulas deductiones relicta ſummam decem marcarum non exceſſerit, ſocietatem aut jus Socii ejuſdem Collegii incumbens non amittet. Secundo, verba illa *infra Univerſitatem*, quæ vicariam perpetuam ab aliquo prædicti Collegii Socio habendam præfiniunt & reſtringunt, prout omnes favores ampliandi ſunt, ad ultimos & remotiſſimos illos circumambientes locos in quibus

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ulla omnino Univerſitatis, aut illius Cancellarii, Procancellarii, Procuratorum, aut aliorum Officiorum viget auctoritas, libertas aut privilegium; interpretando & decernendo extendimus. In cujus rei teſtimonium ſigillum noſtrum Epiſcopale præſentibus apponi fecimus.

Datum apud Manerium noſtrum de Buckden decimo tertio die Auguſti, anno Domini milleſimo ſexcenteſimo viceſimo ſeptimo, & Conſecrationis noſtræ anno ſexto.

JOHANNES LINCOLN.

A. D. 1628. A Reſcript from Bishop Williams to enable the Principal and Fellows to keep open for ſix months the Fellowſhip lately poſſeſſed by James Mason B. D. who had died inſolvent and indebted to the College. B. ff. 50 b.

A. D. 1684. A Reſcript from Bishop Barlow (Thomas) to keep void the Fellowſhip of a Burſar, who died before his accounts were ſettled, till his debts to the College were paid. B. ff. 127 b.

A. D. 1684. Another from the ſame to ſequeſter the Fellowſhip of William Pincock, who had been Senior Burſar, and in his By-account was found to be 166*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.* ¾ indebted to the College. B. ff. 128 a.

A. D. 1686. Bishop Barlow's Interpretation of the Statute *De Sociis promotis.*

Thomas permiſſione Divina Lincolnienſis Epiſcopus, Viſitator Collegii de Braſennoſe infra almam Academiam Oxonienſem legitime conſtitutus, univerſis & ſingulis Chriſti fidelibus ad quos præſentes literæ noſtræ pervenerint Salutem in Domino ſempiternam. In illo Statuto dicti Collegii noſtri de Braſennoſe ſub hoc titulo, *De Sociis Collegii promotis, & de cauſis remotionis & receſſus eorundem*, nos ad humilem petitionem Principalis & Sociorum dicti Collegii ſecundum authoritatem in hac parte nobis & ſucceſſoribus noſtris interpretandi, decernendi & declarandi, quæ dubia aut ambigua in iiſdem Statutis occur-

occurrunt reſervatam (habita prius matura deliberatione) decernimus & declaramus ſummam illam decem marcarum in Statuto prædicto de claro & communibus annis ex Beneficio Eccleſiaſtico perpetuo provenientem, nullo modo exponi ſive intelligi debere in damnum detrimentum ſive præjudicium alicujus Socii habentis infra Univerſitatem prædictam beneficium aliquod eccleſiaſticum perpetuum, cujus proventus & proficua annua, certa & perpetua, ſummam decem marcarum de claro non excedunt, etiamſi talis beneficii valor in libris in Scaccario regio habitis & ſervatis, ſummam decem marcarum ſuperare vel excedere videatur; quin talis Socius ſic promotus poſſit cum Collegio & Societate tale beneficium eccleſiaſticum (ut præfertur) retinere, alia quavis dicti Statuti interpretatione antehac habita vel facta non obſtante. In cujus rei teſtimonium ſigillum noſtrum Epiſcopale præſentibus apponi fecimus.

Datis apud Manerium noſtrum de Buckden viceſimo ſecundo die menſis Novembris, anno Domini milleſimo ſexcenteſimo octogecimo ſexto, noſtræque Conſecrationis anno decimo.

THOMAS LINCOLN.

BISHOP BARLOW's Reſcript relating to Steeple Aſton School. B. ff. 134 b. *A. D.* 1686.

BISHOP WAKE's Determination that Mr. BLACKBURN ſhould reſign either his Living or his Fellowſhip. This living had been litigated, and he had protracted the litigation by voluntary delays. B. ff. 150 b. *See more of this* B. ff. 174. *A. D.* 1696.

A Reſcript from BISHOP WAKE to empower the Officers to continue in their Offices for ſome time longer than the year, upon account of the Principal's infirmity of mind, who was incapable of attending an audit. B. ff. 166 b. *A. D.* 1708.

Another Reſcript from the ſame ordering the Senior Domus, on account of the ſudden death of the Vice-Principal, to act as Vice-Principal, till new Officers could *A. D.* 1708.

could be ſtatutably choſen; with the other proceedings upon that occaſion. B. ff. 167, 168, 169, 170, 171.

A. D. 1709. Another Reſcript from the ſame confirming a decree of the Society relating to Mr. LUCAS, who laboured under a phrenſy. B. ff. 170 a.

A. D. 1717. A Reſcript from BISHOP GIBSON requiring that the Burſars ſettle their annual account finally, and that they be audited, ingroſſed and depoſited in the tower before the thirtieth of November; and that the Officers for the ſucceeding year be elected, and enter upon their Offices on or before Saint Thomas. C. ff. 33.

A. D. 1739. BISHOP REYNOLDS's Interpretation of part of the Statute *De Electione Sociorum.*

To the Principal, Fellows and Scholars of Braſennoſe College in Oxford.

My dear Sons,

Being requeſted by your Principal to give him and you my thoughts upon the Statute *De Electione Sociorum*, and whether by the letter or intendment of it, a perſon, who had taken the Degree of Bachelor of Arts about eight or ten years ſince, and from the time of that Degree, had for ſo many years left the Univerſity, without proceeding to the Degree of Maſter of Arts, was now upon a readmiſſion in your Univerſity qualified within your Statutes, or according to your Founder's intention, to be choſen a Fellow of your houſe. I ſent for anſwer thereto and for reaſons given in my letter, that he was not, and directed that letter to your Principal, November 7. This day I receive information, that the Fellows of your College do not think themſelves obliged to receive the contents of that letter, directed to the Principal, as a Reſcript, or Deciſion of their Viſitor extending to them. I was not ignorant that they might ſo ſay, and yet choſe to write in the fatherly and friendly rather than the viſitatorial or more formal ſtyl; perſuading myſelf, that the tenderneſs of the gentler ſtyl, would not amongſt men of letters and manners abate the ſtrength of my reaſonings, and know-

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ing too that the ſtiffer ſtyl was within reach, and to be eaſily aſſumed, when there ſhould be occaſion for it. Since therefore you inſiſt on the ſtyl in form, I do without any difficulty ſend herewith my former letter with a direction extended to the extent of your expectations, adding thereto only this; that ſhould you, as I truſt you will not, chuſe a Fellow of more years and ſtanding in your Univerſity than your Founder intended, or hath allowed cap. 6. as explained by me, I ſhall be obliged to ſet aſide ſuch Election, and be driven upon points, which I would avoid; as being always your loving friend,

RICHARD LINCOLN.

Buckden, November 21. 1739.

Good Mr. Principal,

I have with the incloſed abſtract of your Statute of Election, received your letter of the ſecond of this month, deſiring my thoughts concerning the application of it to the caſe of a gentleman, who having after admiſſion to the degree of Bachelor of Arts left your Univerſity about ten years ſince, and having not in this interval taken the degree of Maſter of Arts, now offers himſelf, upon a readmiſſion at Lincoln College, as a candidate for a Fellowſhip in your College. I will very readily and honeſtly give you my opinion upon this caſe ſuch as it may be, or may well be expected from a man ſo little acquainted as I am with your practice upon this Statute; laying in this by the way, that how good a rule ſoever practice is allowed to be in the conſtruction of Statutes, or Deviſes, there is one other as good, or better, and that is the meaning of the Founder, or Deviſer, if that meaning can be ſurely or plainly made out, as in this caſe I think it may, from the words of this clauſe, and like words in other College Statutes (for like words there are in other Statutes) and, as it ſeems for reaſons of common utility and convenience to the Colleges, who are to take in Junior Fellows, as well as to the Church and State, for whoſe ſecurity the young Students are to be prepared. I will mention only Peter-Houſe and Trinity College, Cambridge. At

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Peter-Houſe, their Statutes allow them to chuſe their Fellows amongſt the Bachelors of any year. At Trinity College, they are in their choice confined to Bachelors of the third year. In both houſes, ſuch as cannot recommend themſelves to a Fellowſhip before the third year of Bachelor of Arts is expired, are for ever excluded. And the reaſon why Founders have confined the Election of Fellows in their Colleges, to this ſtage of life and ſtanding in the Univerſities, i. e. to ſuch of the firſt ſeven years as are commorant (found in the Univerſity) continuing to improve themſelves in the academic exerciſes and diſciplines, have been taken to be theſe, or ſome of theſe. 1. That Students under this deſcription, ſuch as within this term have given proofs of their fitneſs for the converſation and ſociety of a learned body, are more likely to continue their application to their ſtudys, and make the progreſſions in learning the Founders intended, than ſuch as have for ſome years broke off from their academic exerciſes, or than ſuch as ſtill continuing in the Univerſity, have not by their diligence or aptneſs ſeaſonably (i. e. within their firſt ſeptennium) recommended themſelves to the choice of a learned ſociety. 2. That Students being nineteen or twenty one years of age (the common age of Bachelors) are fitter than older men to take the laſt and loweſt place, and adminiſter the meaner offices in a ſociety; and in this method an unity will be preſerved between the order of a College and the order of nature. Whereas were men of advanced age taken in at the bottom of the Fellows' table, and in place and office to follow younger men, much younger as it might happen, it would be attended with many things very inconvenient to ſociety; which Founders foreſeeing have wiſely forelayd by theſe precautions and limitations. But thirdly and chiefly, as is commonly ſaid, That Students coming into Fellowſhips at this age may probably paſs through the ſtages and diſciplines of their College to parochial cures, or higher miniſtrys in the Church, at the meridian of their ſtrength and habilitys, and before the indolence, inactivity, or ſtiffneſs incident to the decline of life, have rendered them leſs fitt for the offices, to which they may be called. As for theſe and other good reaſons your Founder may have recommended, and ſeems to have recommended

commended, the Bachelors' claſs and age preferable to any other in your Election of Fellows, I ſee no cauſe why your ſociety ſhould deſire to go beyond it, even ſuppoſing, what there is no clear ground to ſuppoſe, that you are not literally reſtrained from ſo doing.

I heartily wiſh to you and your ſociety happineſs, and remain

Your affectione friend,
and ſervant,
RICHARD LINCOLN.

This reſcript gave occaſion to two appeals, the deciſions of which may be ſeen C. ff. 107. 108. 409. 110.

BISHOP THOMAS's permiſſion for the Rodborough Lecturer to hold that preferment for four years with his Fellowſhip. *A. D.* 1746.

Marlborough Street, Jan. 29. 1746.

Reverend Sir,

The Biſhop of Glouceſter informs me that your College nominates to a Lecture, founded at the Chapel of Rodborough in the pariſh of Minchinghampton, with an endowment of above ſixty pounds per annum, but that by your Statutes a Fellow cannot hold a preferment of that value for more than one year, without voiding his Fellowſhip, except he obtain a diſpenſation from the Viſitor. His Lordſhip informs me, that my predeceſſor was pleaſed to grant ſuch a diſpenſation, and requeſts me to renew and confirm the ſame upon this condition, that the Fellow ſo diſpenſed with ſhall reſide upon and diſcharge the duty of the ſaid Lecture. If this requeſt, Sir, of the Biſhop of Glouceſter meets with your approbation, I ſhall very readily give my conſent to any one of the Fellows holding the ſaid Lecture and his Fellowſhip at the ſame time, under the condition beforementioned.

I am, reverend Sir,
Your affectionate friend and brother,
JOHN LINCOLN.

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A. D. 1751. A Reſcript from the ſame for annexing 100*l.* per annum from the College ſtock to the headſhip.

JOHN by Divine permiſſion Lord Biſhop of Lincoln, Viſitor and Patron of Braſennoſe College in the Univerſity of Oxford. To our well-beloved the Principal and Fellows of the ſaid College Greeting.

Whereas by a remonſtrance and petition bearing date the twentieth day of December 1750, hereto annexed, you have repreſented to us, that the preſent income of the headſhip of your College is of too mean and inconſiderable a value to ſupport the dignity of that ſtation, and have aſſured us, that the College ſtock is not only ſufficient to defray all the common and neceſſary expences incident to your ſaid College, but likewiſe yields a competent overplus, whereby you may be enabled to make an annual augmentation of the ſum of one hundred pounds to the ſaid headſhip: And whereas you are come to an unanimous reſolution, as appears by the ſaid petition, to add the ſaid ſum of one hundred pounds annually henceforwards to the preſent income of your Principal out of the College Stock, and have humbly deſired us, as Patron of the ſaid College, and by virtue of our viſitatorial authority, to approve of and confirm the ſaid reſolution. Now know ye that we the ſaid JOHN Lord Biſhop of Lincoln, having taken the matter of the ſaid remonſtrance and petition into our ſerious conſideration, and being well ſatisfied of the reaſonableneſs thereof, do by theſe preſents for us, and for our ſucceſſors Biſhops of Lincoln, as far as by law we may, approve of, conſent, and agree to the order made by you for appropriating the annual ſum of one hundred pounds to the income of the headſhip abovementioned; and do hereby ratify and confirm the ſame.

In witneſs whereof we have cauſed our ſeal Epiſcopal to be affixed to theſe preſents, and have ſubſcribed the ſame this ninth day of May, in the year of our Lord 1751, and in the eighth year of our Conſecration.

JOHN LINCOLN.

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A Reſcript from the ſame, containing a Interpretation of part of the Statute *De Electione Sociorum.* *A. D.* 1753.

To the Principal, Fellows and Scholars of Braſennoſe College in Oxford.

Gentlemen,

I received your letter of the twenty fourth of February 1753, wherein you acquaint me, that after ſerious conſideration, being by divers weighty and prudential reaſons thereunto moved, you are come to a general agreement henceforward to confine yourſelves in your future election of Fellows within the term of eight years, commencing from the day of matriculation in the Univerſity, and determining that day eight years after, and with a proviſo that a perſon taking a Maſter's degree within that time be made no diſqualification; This is therefore to ſignify to you my approval of the ſaid limitation with reſpect to your future election of Fellows; and being well ſatisfied of the reaſonableneſs thereof, I do by theſe preſents, as far as the authority of a Viſitor extends, ratify and confirm the ſame: and recommending you and the Society to the Divine protection I remain,

Gentlemen,
Your affectionate friend,
and ſervant,
JOHN LINCOLN.

BISHOP THOMAS's Interpretation of part of the Statute *De Electione Sociorum*, &c. *A. D.* 1754.

Buckden, Aug. 27. 1754.

Gentlemen,

The Queſtion propoſed is,

Whether a perſon who is in actual poſſeſſion of a clear eſtate of forty pounds per annum, can conſcientiouſly take this oath, *Quod non habeat patrimonium, &c. de quo ſibi conſtat, unde poteſt expendere annuatim ultra quatuor libras de claro*, upon preſumption that the decreaſe

creaſe of the value of money, and the encreaſe of the value of the neceſſaries of life, ſince that time make 40*l.* now a bare equivalent to 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in the time of Henry the eighth?

The Anſwer.

1. There can be no doubt, but that 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* ten marks, and four libræ, are equivalent ſums. For the libra Anglo-Normanica conſiſting of twenty ſhillings, and each ſhilling of twenty pence, the four libræ would contain 1600 pence, equal to ten marks, equal to 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* 2. There can be no doubt but that your Founder intended the ſame favour to his future Fellows, as to thoſe who lived in his own time. The favour granted to them was, that their being poſſeſſed of a clear eſtate ſufficient to purchaſe as many of the neceſſaries of life as could be bought at that time for ten marks per annum, ſhould be no hindrance to their being Fellows. 3. But ſuppoſing the neceſſaries of life to be advanced in price ſince his time, as ſix to one, and that an eſtate exceeding ten marks per annum be at this time a diſqualification for a Fellowſhip; then the preſent Fellows would enjoy but one ſixth part of the indulgence, that was granted to the firſt Fellows of your College: which would be a partiality, that your Founder never intended 4. Upon the above ſuppoſition ſixty marks or forty pounds at preſent would be but juſt equivalent to ten marks when your Founder lived; and he permitting your preſent Fellows to hold their Fellowſhips with an eſtate of forty pounds per annum in theſe dear times would be allowing them only the ſame favour, that was granted by your Founder to his firſt Fellows in thoſe cheap times; when ten marks would buy as many of the neceſſaries of life as forty pounds will do now upon the ſaid ſuppoſition. 5. That the neceſſaries of life are encreaſed in value ſince your Founder's time in the proportion of ſix to one is clear from Biſhop Fleetwood's hiſtorical account. From whence it appears, that the common price of wheat in your Founder's time was only 6*s.* 8*d.* per quarter, but that in the Biſhop's own time, the common price of wheat was advanced to 40*s.* per quarter; that is, to ſix times it's former value. And though

though ſince his time the value of wheat be not encreaſed, but rather diminiſhed, yet all the other neceſſaries of life are greatly enhanced in price by additional taxes. 6. The great difference between the price of neceſſaries now and formerly may be obſerved from your Statute relating to Commons. Each of your Fellows is there allowed no more than twelve pence per week for his ordinary diet, which without doubt was a reaſonable proviſion in thoſe days for a ſingle perſon's meat and drink. But the price of meat and drink is riſen in our days to that height, that now a livery ſervant will not be ſatisfied with ſix ſhillings per week board wages; and there can be no doubt, but that your Founder intended that his Fellows ſhould be treated upon the foot of gentlemen.

If then the queſtion had been ſtated to me out of your Statute *De amotione Sociorum*; Whether a Fellow of your College, poſſeſſed of a clear eſtate of forty pounds per annum, ought to be removed from his Fellowſhip by virtue of that Statute, for having more than the value of ten marks per annum? I am clearly of opinion, that he ought not to be removed, becauſe it cannot be proved that he ought to be removed, becauſe it cannot be proved that forty pounds are of more value now than ten marks in your Founder's time.

But your queſtion being ſtated out of your Statute *De Electione Sociorum*, this makes a difference in the caſe. For with regard to a removal of a Fellow by Statute, he cannot be removed till clear proof is brought againſt him, that he has an eſtate exceeding the value the Founder intended; and ſhould this be a doubtful point, he would ſtill remain a Fellow for want of clear evidence to remove him. But with regard to a Statute which requires an oath, ſhould the point be doubtful, no oath can be taken conſcientiouſly, for the perſon muſt ſwear poſitively, that he has not a greater eſtate in value than the Founder intended, which he cannot do conſcientiouſly, but upon full conviction of his own mind after he has conſidered the point carefully. In this caſe he muſt be his own caſuiſt, and not depend on another's judgment.

But

But if a perſon has formerly taken this oath conſcientiouſly, when there was not the leaſt ground of ſcruple, and ſhould afterwards come to the poſſeſſion of an eſtate of forty pounds per annum, and was then in ſome doubt, whether this eſtate might not exceed the Founder's original indulgence; I do not ſee that he would be then bound by virtue of his oath of obedience to the Statutes, to relinquiſh his Fellowſhip on account of his doubts. For it muſt firſt appear clear to him, that he has more than the Founder intended, before he need quit his Fellowſhip. For as it would be injuſtice in him to give his vote for the removal of another Fellow without clear evidence, ſo would it not be doing juſtice to himſelf to reſign without having the ſame evidence.

Upon the whole I leave the oath to the conſcience of the perſon who takes it; but am clearly of opinion that the price of neceſſaries is ſo great at this time, that forty pounds per annum now is but a bare equivalent to 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* in your Founder's time, and that a perſon poſſeſſed of a clear eſtate of forty pounds per annum is not excluded by your Statutes from being a Fellow of your College.

I commend you and your Society to the Divine protection, and remain,

Gentlemen,

Your affectionate friend and ſervant

JOHN LINCOLN.

A. D. 1758. A Reſcript from the ſame to declare the Fellowſhip, into which EGERTON LEIGH Bachelor of Arts had been elected, void; and to require that HENRY MAYER Bachelor of Arts a native of Preſtbury be admitted into the ſame, being duly qualified in morals and learning. C. ff. 15.

A. D. 1760. A Reſcript from the ſame to require that JOHN HICKMAN Bachelor of Arts be admitted into the Fellowſhip founded by Mr. WILLIAMSON, into which RICHARD HAYES an undergraduate had been elected. C. ff. 27.

A Re-

A Reſcript from BISHOP GREEN to the Principal relative to the eſtimation of a Living tenable with a Fellowſhip. *A. D.* 1764.

Buckden, Non. Novemb. quinto die, 1764.

Reverend Sir,

I had your favour of the ninth of October, and what appeared to me at firſt has been ſince confirmed by the judgment of others, that your Founder in eſtimating the value of Livings to be tenable with a Fellowſhip muſt be underſtood to refer to a valor then known and ſubſiſting, which was that of POPE NICHOLAS; and not the ſubſequent one of HENRY the eighth, which was not then ſettled or in being.

Signed

JOHN LINCOLN.

A Reſcript from the ſame to confirm the Election of THOMAS BRAITHWAITE Bachelor of Arts of Lancaſhire, into one of the original Fellowſhips, which cuſtom had appropriated to natives of Cheſhire, in oppoſition to JOHN EVANSON an undergraduate of the pariſh of Preſtbury, who had appealed. C. ff. 101. *A. D.* 1771.

A ſummary Account of the Decrees of the Principal and Fellows.

That no Grace be valid, which is not entered in the Vice-Principal's Regiſter ſix or ſeven days. A. ff. 3 a. *A. D.* 1547.

That it be allowed to Mr. GEORGE BRUCHE formerly Fellow of the College, but now lame and impotent, to receive of the goods of the College certain preſcribed ſums for three years, if he ſhall ſo long live, on condition that he make not this a pretence of right to claim any thing in future. A. ff. 70 a. *A. D.* 1548.

That

A. D. 1549. That the names of all who are admitted be entered in the ſame Regiſter. A. ff. 3 a.

A. D. 1557. That the Rectory of Steeple Aſton be impropriated. A. ff. 3 a.

A. D. 1560. That the Steward of the Hall go with the Mancipal to market to buy meat. A. ff. 2 b.

A. D. 1563. That Battels be paid in due time. A. ff. 3 a.

A. D. 1568. That the Larder be enlarged. A. ff. 2 b.

A. D. 1568. That no perſons be ſuffered to take their names out of the book without leave, nor till they have ſatisfied the Burſar. A. ff. 3 a.

A. D. 1568. That a Fellow promoted to a Benefice may hold it with his Fellowſhip two years, becauſe the Founder deſigned the year of grace for purchaſing neceſſaries; and the Queen by the laws of the land claims the firſt fruits. A. ff. 36 b.

A. D. 1569. That all perſons be obliged to pay their battels in a certain time. A. ff. 2 b.

A. D. 1571. That the Principal and certain of the Fellows named therein have each leave to be abſent for a time ſpecified, upon account of the plague at that time in the city, four being left in College as required by the Statutes. A. ff. 37 a. Another for the ſame purpoſe and reaſon. A. ff. 40 a.

A. D. 1572. That the probation of ROBERT NORRES Bachelor of Arts be prolonged beyond the year, till he have time to prove by ſufficient evidence, that he is a native of Lincolnſhire. A. ff. 80 a.

A. D. 1575. That THOMAS KNOLLYS Maſter of Arts have leave to be abſent three years to travel into foreign parts; and that in conſideration of the great expence attending his travels, he be allowed five marks of the goods of the College. A. ff. 40 a.

A. D. 1576. That no Scholar leave his Tutor or change without the conſent of the Principal. A. ff. 40 b.

A. D. 1578. That every Scholar above ſixteen years of age at his admiſſion ſubſcribe the Articles of Religion. A. ff. 42 a.

A. D. 1581. That all Maſters admitted to Theological Diſputations take their turns regularly by themſelves or their deputy, whether they be in College or abſent. A. ff. 45 a. *See* B. ff. 104 b.

A. D. 1587. That every Scholar at his admiſſion ſhall depoſit forty ſhillings in the hands of the Junior Burſar as caution, to

to be returned when he ſhall leave the College. A. ff. 55 a.

That certain regulations in the decree mentioned be made in the Theological Diſputations. A. ff. 60 b. *A. D.* 1591.

That they who are abſent on College buſineſs, when leaſes are granted, or ſigned, ſhall receive their proportionate ſhare of the fines; they who are not upon College buſineſs, if they be preſent at the granting or ſigning, ſhall receive one half of their proportion; and they who are wholly abſent, no part. B. ff. 3 b. *A. D.* 1594.

That the Maſters admitted to Theological Diſputations ſhall every Thurſday, except during the long vacation, preach by turns in the Chapel. B. ff. 9 a. *See* B. ff. 11 a. and B. ff. 16 b. *A. D.* 1597.

That no Scholar take any diſhes or ſaucers out of the Kitchen or Buttery, except into the Hall at meal-times. B. ff. 11 a. and again B. ff. 92 a. *A. D.* 1598.

That all Fellows, who had not already, ſhould take the oath relative to Queen Elizabeth's benefactions, and that the form of the oath ſhould be added at the end of the Statutes. B. ff. 14 a. N. B. *The form is as follows:* *A. D.* 1601.

Juro me pecuniarum ſummas, quæ de redditibus Manerii de Upberrie, & Rectoriæ de Gillingham, ex donatione Reginæ Elizabethæ ad Collegium noſtrum pervenerint, in uſus a dicta Regina Elizabetha in donatione ſua deſignatos impenſurum, & ab aliis, quantum in me erit, impendi procuraturum. Numerum tredecim ſcholaſticorum dictæ Reginæ Elizabethæ integrum et plenum perpetuo me ſervaturum; ita ut ſi locum aliquem dictorum ſcholaſticorum per ceſſionem, deprivationem, mortem, aut quocunque alio modo vacare contigerit, alium idoneum in dictum locum intra ſpatium quadraginta dierum ſubſtituam, aut ſubſtitui procurabo, quantum in me fuerit, ſi talis in Univerſitate reperiri poteſt: & cuilibet dictorum ſcholaſticorum quinque marcas legalis monetæ Angliæ, de pecuniarum ſummis, quæ de dictis redditibus pervenerint, annuatim perſolvam, & ab aliis perſolvi procurabo, ſingulis trimeſtribus per æquales portiones, eo modo & forma, quæ in Statutis dictos ſcholaſticos concernentibus conſtituta eſt, aut conſtituenda eſt; modo Statutis & Ordinationibus hujus Collegii non repugnent. Præceptori Scholæ de Myddleton viginti tres

tres ſolidos & quatuor denarios, Subpræceptori quinque marcas, in ſupplimentum ſtipendiorum ſuorum, ſicuti in dicta donatione conſtitutum eſt, annuatim perſolvam, & perſolvi procurabo: Principali vero & Scholaribus dicti Collegii in ſupplimentum Communiarum ſingulis ſeptimanis ſex ſolidos & octo denarios, juxta formam in dicta donatione præſcriptam perſolvi faciam. Hæc univerſa & ſingula, ſi bona ſufficientia ex illis redditibus ad Collegium pervenerint, me præſtiturum, & ut ab aliis præſtentur, quantum in me fuerit, effecturum juro, ſicut me Deus adjuvet, & hæc ſancta Dei Evangelia.

A. D. 1602. That certain ſums be paid to the Burſar by thoſe who take Bachelor's Degrees; that the expences of the ſupper given by thoſe who do Generals be regulated; and that all Scholars at their admiſſion pay certain preſcribed ſums for the uſe of the College. B. ff. 15 a.

A. D. 1602. That Doctor Nowell be commemorated annually on the thirteenth day of February. B. ff. 15 b.

A. D. 1602. That all leaſes be void unleſs ſealed within three months after they have been granted. B. ff. 17 a.

A. D. 1606. That the Porter's ſtipend be encreaſed. B. ff. 21 a.

A. D. 1606. That no Scholar of whatever rank be ſuffered to be abſent for longer time, than he has leave of abſence. B. ff. 21 a.

A. D. 1606. That all who aſk graces for Degrees, ſhall offer themſelves two days to be examined. B. ff. 21 a.

A. D. 1606. That all leave of abſence be granted on condition, that the perſon petitioning perform all Univerſity and College exerciſes by himſelf or others. B. ff. 21 b.

A. D. 1607. That all who petition for Graces be obliged to perform certain preſcribed exerciſes. B. ff. 23 a.

A. D. 1607. That no one aſk for his exerciſes to be remitted unleſs from the Principal if he be in College; or in his abſence from the Vice-Principal or Senior Fellow. B. ff. 23 a.

A. D. 1608. That no one's Grace be propoſed in Convocation, or Congregation, which has not been before propoſed in College. B. ff. 24 a.

A. D. 1608. That all the Fellows have leave of abſence on account of the plague, except the Vice-Principal, two Burſars, and Mr. Dalton, and Mr. Martyn. B. ff. 26 b.

That

That the Bachelors and Senior Scholars be obliged to attend the Hebrew Lecturer. B. ff. 31. *A. D.* 1613.

That all Maſters, who are in orders, preach in turn on Tueſdays at St. Mary's, agreeably to the cuſtom of the Univerſity. B. ff. 34 a. and again B. ff. 89 a. *A. D.* 1614.

That the Holy Sacrament be adminiſtred in the Chapel ſeven times in the year. B. ff. 34 a. and again B. ff. 89 a. *A. D.* 1615.

That the Vice-Principal be exempted from preaching in his turn in the Chapel. B. 34 b. *A. D.* 1616.

That the expence of Maſters at the Comitial ſupper be regulated by the Principal and two Burſars. B. 37 a. *A. D.* 1619.

That ROBERT KING be allowed to keep his Fellowſhip beyond the year of Grace upon account of the troubles in the Kingdom. B. ff. 68 b. *A. D.* 1645.

That all vacancies be filled up agreeably to the Statutes; but that the perſons ſo elected receive no ſalary, till peace be reſtored to the Kingdom. Ibid. *A. D.* 1645.

That all who have leave of abſence for ſix months, if they come to College within that time, and again return, ſhall acquaint the Principal either by themſelves or others, with their intention of returning. B. ff. 81 b. *A. D.* 1655.

That the Maſters preach on Thurſdays. B. ff. 83 a. and ff. 84 b. *A. D.* 1656.

That all Maſters who have compleated a year from their Regency be admitted to Divinity Diſputations. B. ff. 84 b. *A. D.* 1656.

That ſomething be deducted from the ſtipend of the Frankland Scholars, on account of a deficiency in the rents of part of the eſtate. B. ff. 85 a. *A. D.* 1657.

That all Maſters in orders preach in their turn in the Chapel, before the adminiſtration of the Holy Sacrament. B. ff. 90 b. *A. D.* 1661.

That all members of the College at their admiſſion depoſite caution in the proportion preſcribed. B. ff. 91 b. *A. D.* 1662.

That all Gentlemen Commoners at their admiſſion depoſite certain ſums of money with the Principal for the purchaſe of plate. B. ff. 92 b. *A. D.* 1663.

That the undergraduates be required to perform certain exerciſes during the time of dinner, which exerciſes may likewiſe be made a puniſhment for offending Bachelors as well as undergraduates. B. ff. 93 b. *A. D.* 1663.

That

A. D. 1663. That no Bachelor have leave to take a Maſter's Degree, unleſs he promiſe to pay for the uſe of the College, inſtead of a Comitial ſupper, if he be a Fellow five pounds, if a Commoner four pounds; and that Doctors pay double. B. ff. 93 b.

A. D. 1663. That none have leave to take a Bachelor's Degree, unleſs he promiſe to pay for the uſe of the College, inſtead of a Quadrageſimal ſupper, if he be a Commoner twenty ſhillings, if of an inferior order thirteen ſhillings. B. ff. 94 a.

A. D. 1663. That every Gentleman Commoner, within ſix months after his admiſſion, give a piece of plate of the value of five pounds, or be degraded to a lower order. B. ff. 94 a.

A. D. 1665. That all Scholars of whatever condition have leave of abſence on account of the Parliament, and Terms being kept in Oxford. B. ff. 96 a. *See* B. ff. 130 a.

A. D. 1666. That all Scholars to be admitted take an oath here preſcribed. B. ff. 97 a.

A. D. 1671. That the ſermon before the Sacrament be only upon Eaſter Sunday. B. ff. 106 a. *See above* B. ff. 90 b.

A. D. 1675. That the probation of WILLIAM HAMMOND Bachelor of Arts be extended beyond the year, becauſe of his bad ſtate of health; for the recovery of which he was gone into the country. B. ff. 110 a.

A. D. 1683. That THOMAS PRESCOTT Maſter of Arts employed in the ſervice of the King abroad, be allowed to enjoy all the emoluments of his Fellowſhip, which are uſually allowed to abſent Fellows. B. ff. 127 a.

A. D. 1699. That leave be given to MEARE and ECKERSALL to petition Convocation to diſpenſe with one term, in order to their being Candidates for the Degree of Maſter of Arts. B. ff. 155 a.

A. D. 1710. That Fellows abſent by the leave of the Principal and Seniors enjoy all the emoluments of their Fellowſhips, except commons. C. ff. 1.

A. D. 1728. That each of the Portioniſts of Stepney ſhould have choice of the new Churches to be built and endowed within that Pariſh. C. ff. 68.

A. D. 1731. That every Scholar ſhall be obliged to have a room in College, from his admiſſion till he take a Bachelor's Degree. C. ff. 78.

That

That no one be allowed to take a book out of the Library without the conſent of the Principal and Fellows. C. ff. 93. *A. D.* 1737.

That a certain tenement belonging to the College be added to the rectory of Steeple Aſton, on condition that the Rector pay the uſual chief rent, and forty five ſhillings a year for a fine. C. ff. 137. *A. D.* 1745.

That whenever the Rectories of Stepney and Limehouſe ſhould become vacant, they ſhould be ſeparated, and the income augmented from the Tythes of Stepney. C. ff. 10. N. B. *The ſums are ſpecified in another decree.* D. ff. 14. *A. D.* 1747.

That two Subſtitutes be appointed to receive the ſalary of the abſent Queen Elizabeth's Scholars; and that if one of theſe be abſent the other ſhall receive the whole; if both, it ſhall go to the Bible Clerk for the time being. C. ff. 155. *A. D.* 1749.

That a hundred pounds per annum be added to the Living of Selham from the College ſtock, till lands can be purchaſed to that value. D. ff. 42. *A. D.* 1762.

That JOHN KYNASTON Maſter of Arts and Junior Burſar, for certain grievous offences by him committed, be deprived of his office, and for ever withdraw himſelf from College. D. ff. 48. *A. D.* 1764.

That certain College Livings be increaſed out of the College ſtock to two hundred pounds per annum. D. ff. 55. *A. D.* 1765.

That all Parſonage houſes belonging to the College be viſited once in three years, that they may be always kept in repair. D. ff. 56. *A. D.* 1765.

That no perſon who hath left College, and taken his name out of the books, be admitted to take a Degree to the prejudice of another, till his name ſhall have been in the books the full time required by the Univerſity Statutes. D. ff. 62. *A. D.* 1766.

That Mr. KYNASTON be deemed incapable of being preſented to a College living. D. ff. 75. *A. D.* 1768.

That all Scholars, not Fellows, be obliged to pay their Bedmakers certain preſcribed ſums, according to their rank; which ſums are to be put upon their names, whether preſent or abſent, in the buttery book, and paid in the Battels. D. ff. 84. *A. D.* 1770.

That

A. D. 1770. That the opinion of Counſel be taken, concerning the recovery of the lands belonging to the Rodborough Lectureſhip. D. ff. 86.

A. D. 1770. That a hundred pounds a year be added to the Stipend of the Principal, beſides the hundred pounds already added by a decree of the Viſitor. D. ff. 93. *See* D. ff. 96.

Form of the Oath taken by the Clerk of Accounts. From the College Regiſter.

I N. do ſwear that I will well and truly ſerve in the office of Clerk of the Accounts of this College; the College Statutes, as far as they concern me, I will obſerve; the counſels and ſecrets of the College I will not diſcloſe to the prejudice of the ſame; and in all things I ſhall faithfully execute the office of Clerk of the Accounts according to my beſt ſkill, knowledge and ability.

So help me God.

Conſecrationes menſæ, & Gratiarum actiones. From the College Regiſter. B.

Ante Prandium.

Oculi omnium ſpectant in te, Deus! Tu das illis eſcas tempore opportuno. Aperis manum tuam & imples omne animal tua benedictione. Menſæ celeſtis nos participes facias, Deus, rex æternæ gloriæ.

Poſt Prandium.

Qui nos creavit, redemit & pavit, ſit benedictus in æternum. Deus, exaudi orationem noſtram. Agimus tibi gratias, Pater Cæleſtis, pro GULIELMO SMITH Epiſcopo, & RICHARDO SUTTON Milite, Fundatoribus noſtris; pro ALEXANDRO NOWEL & JOCOSA FRANKLAND, aliiſque Benefactoribus noſtris; humiliter te precantes ut eorum numerum benigniſſime adaugeas.

Eccle-

Eccleſiam Catholicam, & populum Chriſtianum cuſtodi. Hæreſes & errores omnes extirpa. GEORGIUM Regem noſtrum & ſubditos ejus defende. Pacem da & conſerva per Chriſtum Dominum noſtrum.

Ante Cœnam.

Omnipotens & ſempiterne Deus, ſine quo nihil eſt dulce, nihil odoriferum, miſericordiam tuam humiliter imploramus, ut nos cœnamque noſtram benedicas; ut corda noſtra exhilares; ut quæ ſuſcepturi ſumus alimenta, tuo honori, tuæque beneficentiæ accepta referamus; per Chriſtum Dominum noſtrum.

Poſt Cœnam.

Quod corpora noſtra, Deus optime maxime, cibo potuque abunde refeciſti, agimus tibi gratias, quantas poſſumus maximas; ſimulque precamur, ut animas noſtras Verbo & Spiritu deinde paſcas; ut omnia mala fugiamus; ut quæ ſint tibi placitura perfecte intelligamus, diligenter meditemur, & ad ea præſtanda toto impetu feramur; per Chriſtum Dominum noſtrum.

Commemoration Prayer.

O Eternal God, the Reſurrection and the Life of all them that believe in thee, truſt in thee, and ſerve thee; Thou that art always to be praiſed, as well for the Dead, as thoſe that are Alive; We give thee moſt hearty thanks for our Founders and Benefactors, by whoſe Bounty and Charity we are brought up to Religion, and the Studies of good Learning; and particularly for our [Founder] [Benefactor] Beſeeching thee, that we may ſo well uſe theſe thy Bleſſings to the Praiſe and Honour of thy Holy Name, that at laſt we may be brought to the immortal Glory of the Reſurrection, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. Amen.

A TABLE

A TABLE of the COMMEMORATIONS of the FOUNDERS and BENEFACTORS; containing their Names, Counties and Qualities; the Days on which they are commemorated; and the Sums distributed.

Days.	*Names.*	*Counties.*	*Qualities.*	*Sums.*
Jan. 3.	WILLIAM SMITH, Founder.	Lancashire.	Bishop of Lincoln.	5*d.* each to 25 poor Priests: and a Gaudy.
First Sunday after Epiph.	Humprey Ogle.	Lancashire *.	Arch-Deacon of Salop.	Prin. 3*s.* 4*d.* Vice-Prin. 20*d.* Fell. and Schol. present 1*s.* each.
Jan. 26.	Elizabeth Morley.	Westminster*.	Widow.	Warden of New Coll. 8*d.* A Gaudy.
Feb. 6.	Matthew Smith.	Lancashire.	First Principal.	Prin. 2*s.* Fell. 18*s.* equally divided.
Feb. 13.	Alexander Nowel.	Lancashire.	Dean of St. Paul's.	Prin. 2*s.* 6*d.* Vice-Prin. 20*d.* ell. 1*s.* Schol. 8*d.*
Feb. 17.	Sarah [Alston.]	Bedfordshire.	Dutchess of Somerset.	2*l.* among Prin. Fell. and Schol. the Prin. a double share, the others equal.
Feb. 19.	Thomas Church.	Cheshire.	B. D. Fellow.	Prin. 3*s.* Fell. 18*d.* Schol. 1*s.*
April 19.	John Mordaunt.	Bedfordshire.	Baron.	Prin. 2*s.* and 20*s.* among Fell. and Schol.
	William Clyfton.	*Lancashire* *.	*Sub-Dean of York.*	
	Brian Higden.	*Lincolnshire* *.	*Baron*, Dean of York.*	
May. 4.	Edward Darbie.	Lincolnshire *.	Arch-Deacon of Stow.	Prin. 2*s.* Fell. 1*s.* each.
May 15.	John Cheshire.	Cheshire *.	Knight, Serj^{t}. at Law.	3*l.* divided among Prin. and Fell.
June 6.	John Port.	Derbyshire *.	Knight, Serj^{t}. at Law.	Prin. 3*s.* 4*d.* Vice-Prin. 20*d.* and 15*s.* among the other Fell. equally.
June 24.	William Grimbaldson.	London*.	M. D.	

June 26.	Samuel Radcliffe. John Cartwright. Urſula Cartwright.	Lancaſhire. Northamptonſhire.	S. T. P. Principal. Eſquire. His wife.	4*l.* Prin. and Fell. Prin. a double ſhare. Prin. 5*s.* and 25*s.* equally among Fell. & Schol. vacant Scholarſhips to be divided, Prin. one ſixth part, Fell. equal.
Sept. 5.	Joyce Frankland.	London.	Widow.	Prin. 3*s.* 4*d.* Vice-Prin. 2*s.* 6*d.* Fell. and Schol. 2*s.* each. A Gaudy.
Firſt Sunday after Mich*s*.	RICHARD SUTTON, Founder.	Cheſhire.	Knight.	5*d.* each to 25 poor Prieſts; and a Gaudy.
October 30.	John Cox.	Oxfordſhire.	Merchant.	Warden of New College 3*s.* 5*d.* Prin. 3*s.* 4*d.* Vice-Prin. 1*s.* 8*d.* Fell. 8*d.*
November 5.	William Porter. Robert Jones.	Herefordſhire*.	Præcentor of Hereford.	Warden of New College 20*d.* Prin. and Fell. 13*s.* 4*d.* equally divided.
				Maſter of Univ. Coll. 1*s.* Prin. Fell. and Philpottine Exhibitioners 19*s.* Prin. a double ſhare.
	Richard Harper.	Derbyſhire.	Juſtice of Com. Pleas.	Prin. 2*s.* & 19*s.* to the Fell. equally. A Gaudy.
	Richard Hammond.			Augmentation of 20*s.* equally to Prin. and Fell.
Novem. 30.	*John Elton or Baker.* *John Williamſon.*	*Herefordſhire.* *Cheſhire.*	*Chancellor of Hereford.* *Clerk.*	
	John Claymond.	*Lincolnſhire.*	*Clerk. Preſident of C. C. C.*	Stipend of abſent Schol. equally divided.
Decemb. 21.	Thomas Yate. Francis Bridgeman.	Cheſhire. Cheſhire.	S. T. P. Principal. Knight.	Prin. 5*l.* and 10*l.* among Fell. preſent.

Preferments in the Gift of the Principal and Fellows.

RECTORIES.

Selham.	Sussex.
Clayton, with Kimer Chapel.	Sussex.
Catworth Magna.	Huntingdonshire.
St. Mary's White Chapel.	Middlesex.
Bow by Stratford.	Middlesex.
Stebinheath.	Middlesex.
St. Anne's Limehouſe.	Middlesex.
Chriſt's Church Spital Fields.	Middlesex.
St. George's in the Eaſt.	Middlesex.
St. Matthew Bednal Green.	Middlesex.
St. John's Wapping.	Middlesex.
Poplar.	Middlesex.
Rollright Magna.	Oxfordshire.
Steeple Aſton.	Oxfordshire.
Begbrook. *The Principal has one turn out of four, the other three belong to Sir James Daſhwood.*	Oxfordshire.
Cottingham.	Northamptonshire.
Middleton Cheney.	Northamptonshire.
Billing Magna.	Northamptonshire.
Stoke Bruern.	Northamptonshire.
Oulde, *alias* Woulde.	Northamptonshire.
Dudcot.	Berkshire.
Weſt Shelford.	Berkshire.
Gillingham cum Lidſing Capella; *as Governors of Middleton School.*	Kent.
Wotton Rivers; *alternately with St. John's College, Cambridge.*	Wiltshire.

LECTURESHIPS.

St. Margaret's, Weſtminſter.
Kirtlington, Oxfordſhire.
Rodborough, Glouceſterſhire.

SCHOOLS.

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